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A soft touch against terror

Troops in Horn of Africa protect ports,
improve schools and, yes, treat camels

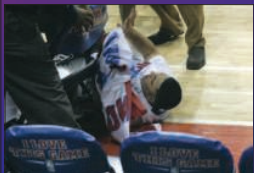
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Army Spc. Luis Soto of the Djibouti-based 96th Civil Affairs Battalion inoculates a camel during a recent veterinarian civil affairs project in Ethiopia. The first time troops showed up to treat donkeys, cows, sheep and camels, the turnout was minimal. The local rumor was that U.S. troops would poison their animals. When it was clear that the earliest patients were improving, citizens began to trust the Americans, and more animals were brought in for treatment. "At the last village we went to, it was more important for the men to get their animals treated than their children or wives," said veterinarian Maj. Julie Roche.

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States

Robert Blake murder trial: Jury selection in the Robert Blake murder case was interrupted briefly Friday for an appearance by a former co-defendant of Blake's, who said he will refuse to testify at the trial.

Earle Caldwell, Blake's former handyman, took the witness stand only long enough to invoke his constitutional right against self-incrimination. His attorney told Superior Court Judge Darlene Schempp that Caldwell intends to answer no questions because of the possibility he could be charged again.

Vibe Awards attack: A rapper surrendered Friday to face charges that he stabbed a man who had punched hip-hop superstar Dr. Dre during the taping of a music awards show.

Young Buck, whose real name is David Damell Brown, turned himself in at police headquarters and was arrested for investigation of one count of attempted murder and one count of assault with a deadly weapon.

Sex tourism crackdown: An 86-year-old man was found guilty Friday of attempting to travel to the Philippines to sexually molest girls, in violation of a new federal law aimed at fighting sex tourism.

A judge found John W. Seljan guilty of six counts, including attempting to travel for the purpose of having sex with minors and possession of child pornography.

Seljan faces a minimum term of 10 years in prison and a maximum of 270 years when he is sentenced in March.

Reporters' sources: Reporters would not be forced to reveal their sources, and their notes, photographs and other material would be protected from government eyes under a bill introduced Friday.

Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., proposed the legislation as critical to ensuring the nation's liberties. Under Dodd's bill, the federal courts, legislative or executive branch could not compel a journalist to provide the source of information, regardless of whether that person has been promised confidentiality. That right would extend to a journalists' notebooks, photographic negatives and other material.

War on terrorism

Human rights concerns: The International Red Cross is "deeply concerned" with the killing of civilians and non-combatants in



JIM SCHULZ/Stars and Stripes

Keith Jones, known as the "Champagne Chef," cooks chicken during his visit to the Yokota Air Base commissary on Saturday. Jones appeared at several locations on base Friday and Saturday, conducting demonstrations and meeting with residents.

Iraq and the apparent failures by all sides to respect humanitarian law.

The International Committee of the Red Cross operations director, Pierre Kraehenbuehl, stressed that international law prohibits killing anyone who is not actively taking part in fighting — or has ceased to do so.

Military

Boy Scout case dispute: U.S. Rep. Jo Ann Davis has joined in an effort to reverse the Pentagon's decision to end support for Boy Scout troops sponsored by military bases.

She has plenty of colleagues who feel the same way. By a 391-3 vote, the House on Saturday commended the Boy Scouts and condemned legal efforts to limit government ties to the group because of its requirement that members believe in God.

AF Academy's religion crack down: Air Force Academy officials are cracking down on a practice by some staffers to put Bible

verses at the bottom of their academy e-mail.

"None of this (Bible or personal signature notes) is appropriate, and it says this in Air Force instructions," Lt. Col. Laurent Fox said Thursday. Academy officials sent a memo to everyone at the school Sept. 15 explaining the policy for using government e-mail. Fox said Rosa has been working on the problem since March, when academy commanders admonished cadets for using academy e-mail to encourage people to see "The Passion of the Christ," Mel Gibson's movie about the Crucifixion.

World

EU defense plans: The European Union is expanding plans to set up several elite battle groups for rapid deployment to international trouble spots.

The original plan was to have nine such groups of 1,500 troops ready by 2007, but EU military officials said an enthusiastic response from nations wanting to contribute forces meant that at least 12 would now be set up. Of that, four — led by France, Britain, Italy and Spain — should be in place next year.

U.N. human cloning talks: Both sides in the human cloning debate claimed victory after the United Nations shelved competing proposals to ban the procedure and agreed to meet again in February to try to deal deep divides the issue.

The compromise Friday means that the U.N. General Assembly will abandon efforts to seek a worldwide treaty. Members could not decide between draft proposals either to ban all human cloning, or to ban reproductive cloning and allow some for stem cell and other research.

Business

Riggs Bank investigation: A Riggs Bank internal investigation has uncovered signs of money laundering by bank employees, including efforts in 2003 to help Argentine naval officers hide \$3.8 million in cash to prevent seizure by investors after the Argentine government defaulted on bond payments.

The investigation by a small team of former Secret Service agents hired by Riggs last year also discovered that efforts by former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet to hide millions in dollars at Riggs go back to 1985, nearly 10 years earlier than previously known.

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A pre-emptive peace strike

U.S., coalition troops beating terror to the punch in Africa

By CHARLIE COON
Stars and Stripes

CAMP LEMONIER, Djibouti — As people fight and in Iraq, there's a quieter war being waged to the south.

The U.S. military launched a pre-emptive strike on the hearts and minds of those living in the Horn of Africa. The United States, military officials say, wants to win the peace on the eastern side of the continent before war breaks out or bad guys move in.

Part of the team in place there is patrolling the busy seaway. Others are drilling wells, fixing up schools and creating jobs. If the United States and its allies make enough friends, according to the strategy, then maybe the Horn of Africa will become a very un-friendlily place for terrorists.

"We're prepared to fight," said Marine Col. Craig S. Huddleston, chief of staff for Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa. "But our preference is to do it by helping people, not hurting people."

The Horn of Africa — Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Eritrea and Sudan — is due south of the terror-prone Middle East. The crux of the region is the 17-mile-wide Strait of Bab El Mandeb, which separates Yemen from Africa. It's narrow enough for terrorists in a fast boat to cross in an hour, and busy enough for them to hide among the shipping traffic.

"The terrorist," Huddleston said, "doesn't need a passport or permission to travel."

The Horn, a mostly impoverished area about two-thirds the size of the continental United States, would be a logical place for well-funded terrorists to find refuge.

"[Terrorism] is not new for our country," said Maj. Tsegaye Debele of the Ethiopian Air Force, an adviser to CJTF-HOA. "Most of the people are appreciative of what the coalition forces, mostly U.S., are doing in Ethiopia."

Surrounded by hot spots

Camp Lemonier, where about 1,500 U.S. troops are based, is surrounded by hot spots.

Sudan, for example, grabbed world attention this year for its alleged state-sponsored rape, pillaging and genocide in its Darfur region.

Anarchy has ruled Somalia for the past 13 years, though a new government there brings hope for change.

To the north of Djibouti, order in Eritrea currently is being kept by U.N. peacekeepers.

Ethiopia has been relatively peaceful since its military rulers were overthrown in 1991. Kenya has worked through violent and fraud-plagued elections in the 1990s to relative stability.

Across the strait, Yemen suffered through civil wars in the 1970s and '80s, but since has calmed.

In addition to civil wars, anarchy and murderous rulers, the region has seen its share of terrorism, as well as U.S. losses:

■ November 2002: A hotel bombing in Mombasa, Kenya, kills more than a dozen people. An attempt to down an Israeli airliner with a shoulder-held, surface-to-air missile also takes place.

■ October 2000: A suicide boat attack on the guided-missile destroyer USS Cole kills 17 U.S. sailors in Yemen.

■ August 1998: The American Embassy bombings in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.



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Marine Col. Craig S. Huddleston, right, chief of staff for Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa, presents certificates recently to African troops who completed a program to help their countries work together to fight terrorism. The presentation took place at Camp Lemonier, Djibouti.

nia, kill more than 200 people and injure thousands.

■ October 1993: Rebel forces kill 18 American soldiers and wound more than 80 in Mogadishu, Somalia.

Invitation arrives

Djibouti, a former French colony that gained independence in 1977, and whose leaders want it to become a bustling port and friendly place, invited the U.S. military onshore in May 2003.

"The threat here is real," said Marine Capt. Brian Dibb, the Camp Lemonier force protection officer. "There are people out there who want to harm us and stop what we're doing in the region."

Huddleston said the U.S. military could simply hunt down terrorists, but that might create more enemies. So instead, they're trying to build hope, make allies, and create a place where people will shun terrorists instead of supporting them.

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Building citizens' trust often starts with the animals

CAMP LEMONIER, Djibouti — The first thing was a bust. A crew of well-meaning, but not-yet-trusted, U.S. troops had traveled from Camp Lemonier south into Ethiopia to do a veterinarian civil affairs project.

The crew was going to treat donkeys, sheep and goats, but word among the tribe was that the Americans were going to poison their animals.

Only a few people showed up. Their camels were treated for abscesses such as boils, their goats for ailments such as hyena bites. The animals got shots and got fed.

Over a few weeks, the calves got fatter and the camels healthier. The word among the tribe changed.

"The next time we went there, the animals came pouring in," said Maj. Julie Roche, of Sautee, Ga., a veterinarian and Army reservist assigned to the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion.

She considered it a victory of sorts in the war on terror.

"For me, it's a victory on the animal side," Roche said. "Once you get a victory there, you've got a little victory with the people."

Animals are like currency in the African wild. They provide milk, food and are used as beasts of burden to carry belongings from one place to the next.

At the last village we went to, it was more important for the men to get their animals treated than their children or

wives," Roche said. "We'd go to treat the wives, and they'd tell us to take care of the animals first."

About 1,500 U.S. troops are stationed at Camp Lemonier as part of Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa.

Since establishing the camp in May 2003, the troops through October had conducted 18 veterinary projects and 19 medical civil affairs projects, as well as nearly 90 assorted school renovations, military-to-military training programs, well-diggings, hospital resupplies and so on.

The troops choose sites where the most impact would be made and consult local leaders before showing up. Sometimes it means flying to remote destinations and driving for hours up a dry riverbed.

It always requires translators who speak French, Arabic or one of the African languages.

The host nation often provides security. It hasn't yet been needed.

"We haven't fired a shot in anger or been shot at since we've been here," said Marine Col. Craig S. Huddleston, chief of staff for CJTF-HOA.

Roche, who was also called up to serve in the Balkans and Afghanistan, said she has been both rewarded and humbled by the experience.

"You realize there are a lot of people out there who don't have what you have and are perfectly happy," she said. "They just want the basics — food and water."

— Charlie Coon

Misawa Air Base debuts \$6M simulator

Demonstration is a rare chance for Japanese to train with live fire

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN

Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — The heat felt good from afar, but this was no bonfire.

On a chilly Friday morning in northern Japan, Misawa Air Base's firefighters demonstrated to their Japanese counterparts how they would tackle one of the hottest fires on earth: A fuel-fed aircraft inferno.

Members of Misawa's Fire and Emergency Services — part of the 35th Civil Engineer Squadron — invited three neighboring fire departments and Japan Air Self-Defense Force fire crews to practice their blaze-stamping skills on their new \$6 million fire-training simulator, a rusted-looking steel aircraft shell that can produce wicked fire with the flip of a switch.

The event was a rare chance for the Japanese to train with live fire. Misawa military officials said, since there are few similar fire-training simulators in Japan. It also was an opportunity for the approximately 85 firefighters from both countries to practice what they stand ready to do on a moment's notice every day.

"In the event of an unfortunate aircraft crash, we would respond with mutual aid with them and



JENNIFER H. SVAN/Stars and Stripes

Firefighters from Misawa work their way up to the burning interior of an aircraft-fire simulator at Misawa Air Base, Japan, on Friday. The \$6 million structure was finished earlier this year and base firefighters invited neighboring fire departments to join them in various training scenarios.

vice versa," said Staff Sgt. Norman Becker, noncommissioned-officer-in-charge of training for the base's 80 firefighters. Air Force, Navy, JASDF and commercial airlines use Misawa's runway. If an aircraft were to crash and burn upon takeoff or landing, it's likely both U.S. and Japanese firefighters would be called to the scene said Becker.

"It depends on whose aircraft it is on who takes charge, but we all respond," said Lt. Col. Dave Maharrey, 35th Civil Engineer Squadron commander. "It works very well. They're used to working together."

Misawa base firefighters began training on the simulator this spring. They head out to what they call the fire pit about once a month to practice cockpit, engine, cargo, cabin, tail and other types of aircraft fires. Before it was built, they practiced putting out engine fires on a much smaller piece of equipment.

The simulator uses liquid propane to produce intense heat inside the aircraft.

"There's always some degree of danger," said Staff Sgt. David Frazier, a base fire protection crew chief. But the environment is very controlled, he said. An op-

erator in a nearby tower can ignite up to 13 burners in the aircraft with the turn of an electric switch. The fire can be extinguished almost as quickly — in about three seconds — if there's a problem. "It's essentially a giant barbecue," Frazier said.

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Kanto Express changes

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Students ages 10-18 who ride the Kanto Express, Yokota's base shuttle, must now show a pass before boarding, officials said.

The policy change is designed to encourage youth to ride Department of Defense Dependents Schools buses and to reduce vandalism in military shuttles, according to Maj. Richard Hirsch, the 374th Logistics Readiness Squadron commander.

Bus passes may be acquired weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the squadron's operator records and licensing section in Building 4125, Room 222. DODDS officials also issue the permits.

According to Hirsch, the Kanto Express will not hit the following stops from 2-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. on weekdays: W-3, across from the vehicle management compound; W-4, at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service headquarters building; and E-12, adjacent to Yokota Middle School.

The 374th Civil Engineer Squadron is also overhauling Yokota's bus stop shelters to make them more resistant to inclement weather. The renovations should be finished by the end of the year.

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Pilates classes offered

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Base athletic officials are conducting Pilates exercise classes at 5 p.m. every Wednesday in the Natatorium Fitness Center.

Pilates is a whole-body approach to exercise designed to improve strength, coordination and posture and to create a balance between power and flexibility. Abdomen and back muscles are targeted, and deep-breathing exercises increase lung capacity and circulation.

Call DSN 225-6133 for more information.

Newspaper takes break

There will not be a Friday edition of Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Station's base newspaper, Torii Teller, because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Torii Teller resumes its normal weekly schedule the next week.

Scouts to help parents

The Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Station Unit 2B Girl Scouts will offer a baby-sitting service from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. Friday in the Building 657 community room. A small snack and crafts are offered, a base news report stated, and adults certified in CPR will be on hand.

Starting in December, the scouts will provide baby-sitting services on the first and third Fridays of each month. The fee is \$3 per hour, per child.

Money earned by the Girl Scouts in November and December will help finance a trip to the West Pacific Girl Scouts Winter Conference in Tokyo.

Call DSN 253-2485 or 253-2276

for more information or to make reservations.

Traffic reminders issued

SAEBO NAVAL BASE, Japan — Due to an increase in refusals by drivers to take breathalyzer tests, a base news report was issued to remind Sasebo Naval Base personnel that a fine of up to 300,000 yen (about \$2,877) could be imposed for such refusals. The new penalty was implemented this summer.

In addition, drivers can receive a fine up to 50,000 yen (about \$479) for talking on a cell phone while operating a motor vehicle.

The penalty also applies to "merely looking at a cellular phone while driving," the report noted.

Call DSN 252-2103 or 252-3385 for more information about these penalties.

USO volunteers needed

SAEBO NAVAL BASE, Japan — The United Service Organizations' Charity Auction is planned for 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and volunteers still are needed, according to D.J. Stanhope, USO director.

The proceeds from the auction benefit USO programs and services provided to base personnel each year, said Stanhope.

The event will be at the Harbor View Club. To volunteer, call Stanhope at 090-3012-5867 or DSN 252-3959.

Tickets are available through your ombudsman at Fleet Landing or at the door for \$5.

In addition, more volunteers can register to donate food and serve meals during the four-day USO Thanksgiving Feast for Sail-

ors held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Fleet Landing on Thanksgiving Day through Sunday.

To get involved, call DSN 252-3959 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Intersection closed

SAEBO NAVAL BASE, Japan — The intersection in front of Fleet Landing where Ohio Boulevard is crossed by California Drive will be closed through Sunday for repaving.

Traffic is required to detour through the Main Gate intersection between the post office and commissary in order to travel between the Tategami and Hirase areas of the base.

The road repaving is part of a \$750,000 repaving project on the base.

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Efforts to pass 11 panel reforms fail

By JESSE J. HOLLAND

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Republicans on Saturday blocked passage of legislation addressing the Sept. 11 Commission's terror-fighting recommendations to President Bush, but GOP leaders said they would press the effort later this year.

However, the failure to get an agreement in Congress' postelection session most likely means the legislation will die for the year.

"It's hard to reform. It's hard to make changes," Speaker Dennis Hastert said as House members left town after a rare weekend session.

But Hastert and other GOP lead-

ers insist that the bill still has a chance since the House and Senate will not officially end their legislative year until December.

"Our members want us to continue, the speaker wants us to continue to negotiate and so does the Senate, so we're going to continue to negotiate and see if we can get a bill in December," said House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

DeLay said that Reps. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., and James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., had not agreed to a compromise reached earlier Saturday and he wanted their approval before the House moved forward.

Hastert said Hunter had concerns that shifting some intelli-

gence operations from the Pentagon could combat troops. Hastert said lawmakers want to "make sure that our men and women who serve this country have the real-time intelligence that they need."

If lawmakers fail to reach an agreement this year, they will render most three months of hearings and negotiations that started with the commission's July release of its report studying the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Lawmakers would have to start from scratch next year — if they even pick up the issue again. With a new Congress taking office in January, unapproved bills expire and new lawmakers and committee leaders would have to consider any new legislation.

Lawmakers thought they had a deal Saturday. "Give me a cigar," said the chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan. He flashed a "V" for victory with his hand after signing off on the deal.

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, one of the lawmakers involved in the talks, said Bush had been in touch with negotiators by telephone from Chile, where he was attending a meeting of leaders from Asian and Pacific nations. Administration officials also said the president supported the compromise.

The commission, a bipartisan

group that sharply criticized the performance of intelligence agencies, also endorsed the emerging compromise.

The deal "contains not only major reforms of the intelligence community, but significant measures to improve aviation and border security, and emergency preparedness and response," the commission's leaders, Thomas Keane and Lee Hamilton, said in a statement.

Critics led by Hunter said the bill would interfere with the chain of military command and potentially place troops at risk in combat.

Africa: Uniting nations with goal of peace

AFRICA, FROM PAGE 3

"We'll leave if the local people don't want us here," Huddleston said. "Or we'll leave if the region has become stable and secure and not a friendly place for terrorists to be, or if [U.S. troops] are needed elsewhere."

"I think we're going to be here long enough for the nations of the region to work together with all our other partners in the war on terrorism to eliminate the threat here."

"That's why I think it will take awhile."

Part of a bigger plan

The attempt to win the hearts and minds of East Africans is coming from inside and outside the region. The fleet that patrols the Strait of Bab El Mandeb includes French, Dutch and British ships.

Troops training with the United States include Yemeni, Ethiopian, Djiboutian and Kenyan.

"It's a war of ideas and concepts, and [the strategy] is about building a coalition," said Marine Maj. Greg Beisbier, who runs a program that trains officers from neighboring nations on how to work as a team.

For example, Beisbier said, various nations are working together to build a secure computer network, similar to the U.S. Department of Defense's Secure Internet Protocol Routing system, known as SIPR-NET, so they can share information confidentially.

Time will tell

Camp Lemonnier was Spartan when the Americans arrived but has grown considerably in the past 18 months.

Now it is a relatively comfortable dormitory base, about 88 acres with a good chow hall, lighted outdoor basketball court, and a sports patio bar that has music and a three-beer limit.

The four major services work in unison; staffing is about 40 percent Marines and 20 percent each of

Army, Navy and Air Force. There are also 1,100 Djiboutians and contractors employed there.

"We put a huge amount of money into their economy and they are very much aware of that," Dibb said. "We may have beaten terrorist organizations to the punch here. We may have a little jump on them."

Just south of Djibouti City, Tech. Sgt. Marshall Brown of Mount Vernon, Ky., is leading a team that is building a fort across a flood plain. The fort is on the main, dirt road that connects Djibouti City and the village of Holho. "If people can't travel this road, they can't get to town," Brown said.

The World Food Organization also uses the road to transport food from the Port of Djibouti south into Ethiopia. When it flooded, roads washed across the road, making it useless after the water subsided. The fort will keep the road passable.

As a member of the Air Force's 823rd Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operations Repair Squadron, known as RED HORSE, based in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., Brown, 33, said he spends more than half of each year traveling the world working on projects.

Brown said he understood why his government deployed him and others to the Horn of Africa. Whether or not the mission will be worth it, Brown took a wait-and-see stance. "I guess time will tell," he said.

As jobs are created and people are helped, an intelligence network is emerging.

The tribesmen and other locals know bad guys when they see them and hopefully would share that information with coalition forces. The militaries of different nations are leveraging their assets.

Terrorists don't stand a chance, at least not in Djibouti City, according to Said Haussein, director of port security and a member of the Djiboutian navy.

"There are people here who want their country and they want their peace," Haussein said.

Added Dibb: "We're not superheroes saving the day, but we are giving them a better future. We're giving them a reason to see beyond tomorrow."

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Bush: Iran, N. Korea pose 2-front nuke hazard

BY TERENCE HUNT
The Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile — Facing nuclear challenges on two fronts, President Bush warned Saturday that Iran's suspected weapons program is "a very serious matter," and he stood with leaders of Asia and Russia in demanding North Korea's return to stalled disarmament talks.

Iran and North Korea, two nations in what Bush has branded an "axis of evil," dominated the president's attention along with trade and economic issues at the

opening of a 21-nation summit of Asian-Pacific leaders.

The president also tried to ease global concerns about the sinking value of the dollar, a drop based in part on investors' fears about the huge U.S. trade and budget deficits. He said the United States is committed to a strong dollar and pledged to work with Congress to reduce short-term and long-term deficits.

While attending a summit in Chile, Bush met with the leaders of China, Japan, South Korea and Russia, his partners in talks aimed at persuading North Korea

to give up its nuclear program in exchange for fuel aid and other incentives. Bush said North Korean leader Kim Jong Il "will hear a common voice" insisting that the Korean peninsula be nuclear-free.

Chinese President Hu Jintao said he and Bush both hoped the North Korean crisis "can be solved peacefully through dialogue."

Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi also expressed a desire for a diplomatic solution. Hu and Bush exchanged invitations for visits to each other's

country, but neither leader agreed to go.

On Iran, the United States is skeptical about Tehran's intentions in talks with Britain, France and Germany about eliminating or dismantling its nuclear weapons systems. Facing a Monday deadline to halt all work related to uranium enrichment, Iran reportedly is producing significant quantities of a gas that can be used to make nuclear arms.

"This is a very serious matter," Bush said, sitting alongside Koizumi. "The world knows this is a serious matter, and we're working to-

gether to solve this matter." The United States intends to ask the U.N. Security Council to consider economic and diplomatic sanctions against Iran.

Bush praised the efforts of European nations to persuade Iran not to pursue nuclear weapons. "They do believe that Iran has got nuclear ambitions, as do we, as do many around the world," Bush said.

North Korea, after three rounds of inconclusive talks with the United States and others, boycotted a session in September, apparently waiting to see who would win the U.S. election.

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Myanmar political prisoner released

YANGON, Myanmar — One of Myanmar's best known and longest-imprisoned political dissidents has been freed as part of a general release of almost 4,000 prisoners granted by the country's ruling junta. Min Ko Naing, 42, whose real name is Paw U Tun, is one of about two dozen political detainees believed to have been released since Thursday, when Ujanta announced it was dropping the sentences of 3,937 prisoners whom it said had been improperly charged.

China releases Tiananmen protester

BEIJING — A factory worker who helped to organize a strike during China's 1989 pro-democracy protests has been released after nearly 15 years in prison, a U.S.-based prison rights group said Saturday.

Chen Gang reportedly was convicted of "hotheadism" and sentenced to life in prison following the violent crackdown that ended the 1989 protests centered on Tiananmen Square in central Beijing, the Dai Hua Foundation said.

Peru won't release New York woman

LIMA, Peru — Peru's foreign minister said his country will not abide by the decision of the Inter-American Human Rights Court if it rules in favor of releasing Lori Berenson, a New York woman serving a 20-year sentence for collaborating with Marxist guerrillas, media reported Saturday. The Costa Rica-based court is scheduled to deliberate Berenson's case this week to decide if she received a fair civilian trial in 2001.

U.S. diplomat to meet Palestinian leaders

JERUSALEM — William Burns, the U.S. assistant secretary of state, will meet PLO chief Mahmoud Abbas and other Palestinian leaders on Sunday before U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell's visit to the region, an American official said Saturday.

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Kerry sends a partisan call-to-arms

BY DAN BALZ
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., signaled a return to partisan warfare with President Bush Friday in an e-mail to supporters in which he accused the administration of preparing a "right-wing assault on values and ideals" and called on Democrats to fight back against what he labeled Bush's extreme agenda.

Two weeks after delivering a generous concession speech that called for a lessening of the bitter partisanship that had marked the contest with Bush, Kerry picked up where the campaign left off and demonstrated his determination to be the leader of the opposition.

"Despite the words of cooperation and moderate-sounding promises, this administration is planning a right-wing assault on values and ideals we hold most deeply," Kerry said in the message that was sent to about 3 million supporters who had signed up on the Kerry Web site during the campaign.

Senators have their final say

The Associated Press

Some quotations from the farewell speeches of departing senators:

■ **Ben Nighthorse Campbell, R-Colo.**: "But I have to tell you, on each snail morning I drive to work, or each moonlight night, particularly in the wintertime after a fresh snow, and I view the dome of this great building as the first or last thing I do in my workday. I am just thrilled that I was here for a while and it was a part of my life."

■ **Tom Daschle, D-S.D.**: "We come to this body with great goals and our challenge is to become focused on those goals and not lose sight of them. ... The politics of common ground will not be found on the far right or on the far left. That is not where most Americans live."

■ **Peter Fitzgerald, R-Ill.**: "I was sworn in in 1999 and almost immediately thereafter the first presidential impeachment trial in 130 years began."

... I came in as the youngest member of the Senate. I was 38 at the time. ... I'll never forget Strom Thurmond telling me ... how he used to work out 45 minutes every day and thinking whether I might be as active as Strom is when I'm 96, if I make it that long."

■ **Ernest "Fritz" Hollings, D-S.C.**: "I don't leave with the idea that the Senate is not what it used to

be in the sense of personnel. We have a very better group of senators. We had five or six drunks when I came here. There was nobody drunk in the United States Senate. We don't have time to be drunk and more than that, we have the women. We had one woman. She was outstanding, but she was outstanding in my opinion ... Now we have 14, and you can't shut them up."

■ **Zell Miller, D-Ga.**: "I did not come to this Senate expecting events to unfold as they have. I guess I am living proof that politics is not an exact science ... After all the words of caution that I hope fathers still give their sons, Polonius ended with these words: 'This above all, to thine ownself be true. And it will follow: as the night the day. Thou canst not then be false to any man.' I have always believed that and I have tried to live that."

■ **John Edwards, D-N.C.**: "Life has a great way of handing us moments that are bitter-sweet ... I've never loved my home state and my country more than I do today ... And our fight goes on. I will soon be home in the place I love, the place that made me love America ... It's bittersweet knowing what we've accomplished, and it's also bittersweet knowing what's left to be done ... And in the end I think of North Carolina's own, Thomas Wolfe. He wrote, 'I believe that we are lost here in America, but I believe we shall be found.'"



Daschle



Edwards

Bill Clinton rips media, Ken Starr

BY JAMES JEFFERSON
The Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — In a prime-time outburst, Bill Clinton ripped old nemesis Kenneth Starr and what the former president portrayed as a glib media eager to report every "sleazy thing" leaked from a prosecutor bent on bringing him down.

The exchange came in an interview with ABC news anchor Peter Jennings that aired Thursday, hours after Clinton opened his \$165 million presidential library. Clinton blasted Starr and spoke disdainfully of a media that he suggested was complicit in a scheme to ruin his presidency.

"No other president ever had to endure someone like Ken Starr," Clinton said. "No one ever had to try to save people from ethnic cleansing in the Balkans, and people in Haiti from a military dictatorship that was murdering them, and all the other problems I dealt with, while every day an entire apparatus was devoted to destroying him."

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Lawsuit questions dangers of playing dodgeball in schools

BY MICHAEL GORMLEY

The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — The high-energy school yard game of dodgeball is getting kicked around a New York courtroom, where questions are being raised about whether it's just too dangerous for young children to play.

This week, a New York state Appellate Division panel refused to dismiss a lawsuit that claims a student, a 7-year-old girl who broke her elbow while playing dodgeball.

State and national education officials say what makes the case unique is that the lawsuit doesn't fault the school for poor supervision — but for allowing children that young to play at all.

The game also is being targeted as unfair, exclusionary and warlike for school-age youngsters. Some schools in Maine, Maryland, New York, Virginia, Texas, Massachusetts and Utah have banned dodgeball or its variations, including war ball, monster ball and kill ball.

New York's case began in the fall of 2001. Seven-year-old Heather Lindaman was playing a variation of dodgeball in gym class on a hardwood court. The version included several balls and no safety or protection zone to run from the thrown balls.

Heather became tangled with another child and fell, breaking her elbow. Her lawyer, Philip Johnson, said the injury required surgery and there is a continuing concern her injured arm might not grow as long as her other arm because a growth plate may have been affected.

World's oldest man dies in N.Y. at 113

The Associated Press

DEWITT, N.Y. — Fred Hale Sr., a Maine native recognized as the world's oldest man, died Friday. He was 113 years old.

Hale died in his sleep at The Nottingham in suburban Syracuse, while trying to recover from a bout of pneumonia, said his grandson, Fred Hale III. He was 12 days shy of his 114th birthday.

Born Dec. 1, 1890, Hale last month watched his lifelong favorite baseball team, the Boston Red Sox, win the World Series again after 86 years.

Hale retired in 1957 as a railroad postal worker and beekeeper, his grandson said. He enjoyed gardening, canning fruits and vegetables and making homemade apple sauce.

At age 95, Hale flew to Japan to visit a grandson who was in the Navy. While en route back to the United States, he stopped in Hawaii and even gave boogie-boarding a try.

At 103, Hale was still living on his own and shoveling the snow off his rooftop.

He was born in New Sharon, Maine, when there were only 43 stars on the American flag. He married Flora Mooers in 1910.

Hale lived in his native Maine until he was 109, when he moved to the Syracuse area to be near his son, Fred Jr., now 82.

On March 5, 2004, the Guinness World Records acknowledged him as the oldest



Fred Hale Sr., right, and his son, Fred Hale Jr. photo The World Series, on Oct. 27 photo. Fred Hale Sr., died Friday. He was 113 years old.

living man when Joan Riudavets Moll, of Spain, passed away at age 114.

Hale also was a Guinness record-holder for the oldest driver. At age 108, he still found slow drivers annoying, Fred Hale III said.

Hale credited his longevity to bee pollen and honey that he ate each day, along with the occasional nip of whiskey in the morning.

The world's oldest living man is now Hermann Dornemann, of Germany, age 111. There are 26 living women older than him, according to Gerontology Research Group.

Girls' gains in school may signal boys are falling behind

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The academic achievement gap between boys and girls has significantly decreased or has been eliminated in most areas, the government said Friday, raising concerns that boys appear to be falling behind.

Girls outperformed boys in reading and writing assessments in fourth, eighth and 12th grades, according to the Education Department study. The gap in reading achievement at the secondary level favored girls, growing from 10 points in 1992 to 16 points in 2002.

Girls are less likely to repeat a grade and to drop out of high school. Girls entering college were more likely to graduate within six years.

Girls are less likely to report liking math and science, even though they take equally or more challenging coursework than boys in high school. But, the achievement gap favoring boys is small. Girls are just as likely as boys to use computers at home and at school.

Other findings:

■ Girl high school seniors tend to have higher educational aspirations than boys.

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McCain: AF fixed Boeing contract bidding

By ALAN BIERGA

Knight Ridder NewsPapers

WASHINGTON — Sen. John McCain skewered the Air Force on the Senate floor Friday for its pursuit of a contract to acquire tanker aircraft from Boeing, accusing its leaders of incompetence or corruption.

"Either way, full accountability among Air Force leadership is in order," said McCain, R-Ariz.

Reading from previously unclassified internal Air Force e-mails, McCain charged that Air Force Secretary James Roche, who resigned this week, and other Pentagon officials conspired with Boeing to fix the bidding on a \$23.5 billion contract that would have added 100 Boeing 767s to the Air Force tanker fleet.

Roche wrote "Go Boeing!" in one e-mail, McCain said. Roche also disparaged one of Boeing's competitors, European Aeronautical Defence and Space Co. (EADS), and its North American chief executive officer, Ralph Crosby. EADS owns 80 percent of the European aircraft manufacturer Airbus.

"Ralphie is the CEO and chairman of a marketing firm, for that's all there is to EADS, North America," Roche wrote.

A Roche aide said the secretary was traveling and unavailable for comment.

Air Force spokesman Doug Karas said the e-mails are old news. "The e-mails... reflect negotiations on an acquisition program that is now behind us," he said.

McCain has long criticized the deal. But his speech Friday was unusually harsh, apparently an effort to prevent Roche's resignation from ending the controversy.

"The final chapter on the tanker lease proposal cannot be closed until all the stewards of taxpayers' funds who committed wrongdoing are held accountable,"

McCain said.

Former Air Force tanker negotiator Darleen Drury, who later took a job with Boeing, was sentenced to nine months in prison last month for discussing a job with Boeing while tanker talks were under way. On Monday, former Boeing Chief Financial Officer Mike Sears pleaded guilty for his role in recruiting Drury. Both were fired from Boeing after an ethics probe in 2003.

In addition to Roche, Air Force Acquisitions Chief Marvin Sambur resigned this week, but it is unclear whether the two men might face criminal charges. The Justice Department is investigating Roche for possible conflict-of-interest violations. Sambur said last week an investigation by the Pentagon inspector general had cleared him. The inspector general declined to comment.

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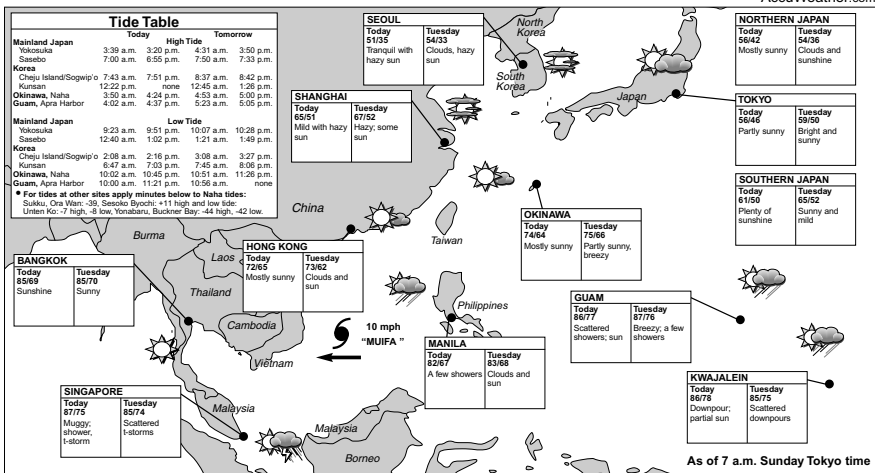
J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30
6	AFN-P	Headline News	50 Minutes (CC)		Without a Trace "Confidence" The team searches for a woman who disappeared during a dinner party. (CC)				Pacific Report	The Tonight Show	Let Show (CC)	
7	AFN-AT	15:45 Oprah Winfrey (CC)	38 Guiding Light (CC)	17 General Hospital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)			Aladdin To Cure a Thief (CC)	ChazZone	
8	NEWS	Salsa and Bears (CC)	Caravito on Business (CC)	Next at CNN	Dateline NBC (CC)		Good Morning America (CC)			Headline News	Channel One	
9	SPORTS	5:00 Sports	NBA Finals Late Night	For Love or Money (CC)	Law & Order: "Astoria" A baseball player is accused of killing his time driver. (CC)		American Chopper					
10	SPEC	The Simpsons "Take From the Public Domain"	Everybody Loves Raymond Ray can't sleep. (CC)						Friends Chandler really is a cry. (CC)	Seinfeld George is ready to move on. (CC)	Seinfeld George is ready to move on. (CC)	Blind Date (CC)
11	AFN-H	SpongeBob	Rugrats (CC)	Lizzie McGuire	Taina	Smallville "Kissin' (CC)	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	The Cosby Show	How Improves.	Touched by an Angel (CC)	
12	AFN-IM	Entertainment Tonight (CC)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)	*** The Masked Singer (2001, Adventure)
14	TMC	*** "Dangerous Minds" (1995, Drama) Michelle Pfeiffer as a class of educational truants. R (CC)										
15	PBS	Dragon Tales	Wholesale loose (CC) (DVS)	The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer (N) (CC) (DVS)	Antiques Roadshow Andy Warhol poster made for a film festival at Lincoln Center in 1967. Part 1 of 3 (CC)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)	They Made America "Rabbit" Russell Ornduff, Symons and Hip-Ted, Ted Turner. (N) (CC) (DVS)
25	SHOW	*** "Personal Velocity" (2002, Drama) Kyla Sedgwick, Parker Posey, Faruza Bak. Three women have crises in their lives. R (CC)										
27	A&E	City Confidential "Person Investigator accused of strangling his wife. (CC)	American Justice "Night Stalker" (CC)	Rhonda Jackson is dubbed the "Night Stalker" (CC)								
28	DISC	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
29	TFC	Wazz Up Wazz Up	Star Circle Guest	Tanging Ni	65 Insider	The Correspondents	Kumikang Kabu (CC)	Morning Star	40 Mesang Tanghal Bayan			
30	CNN+	Larry King Weekend (CC)	CNN World News	World Sport	Business International	Asia Tonight	World Sport	CNN World News	World Sport	Biz Asia	Business International	
31	GOLF	***4:30 Golf USBS Cup - Final Day From Kiawah Island, S.C.										
32	TLC	Trading Spaces: They Hated It	Trading Spaces: They Hated It	Trading Spaces: "Texas Ghostbridge" Texas homeowners' family rooms are re-modeled. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "Texas Ghostbridge" Texas homeowners' family rooms are re-modeled. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)	Trading Spaces: "California: Vay Jardin" Living room, kitchen. (CC)
34	TOON	Samurai Jack	Dexter's Laboratory	Codename: Kids Next Door	Justice League	Powerful Girls	Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends	I Am Weasel	Shop in the Big City	Detective Squad		
35	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter "Casper: The White Crocodile" A white crocodile grows to be aggressive. (CC)	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks	Most Extreme: Attacks
36	COM	Mouthout Off: 51 Greatest Smashes (CC)	Crossbalds "Mother Earth: Blot Pollutants" (CC)	The Daily Show	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)	*** The Sweetest Thing (2002, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Selma Blair. Two girls to track down a guy she met at a party. (CC)
40	NGC-A	Planet Wild	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders	Wildlife Defenders
42	FOX	World's Wildest Police Videos (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation
43	SPEK	Remington Steele (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation
44	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	BET.com Count-down	Movie	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)	The Investigators "Mind Games" A woman is mysteriously poisoned. (CC)
46	COURT	NYPD Blue "Vor Drive Thru" The Cullinan number trial takes a frightening turn. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)	Cops Officer down and reappearing calls. (CC)
48	STR-WLD	The Simpsons	The Drew Carey Show	Star News Focus	Friends (CC)	That '70s Show	Everybody Loves Raymond (CC)	Yes, Dear (CC)	Becker (CC)	Three Stooges 75th Anniversary Special (CC)	Friends (CC)	That '70s Show (CC)
50	LIFE	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)	"Frequent Flyer" (1996, Drama) Jack Wagner, Shelley Hack, Nicole Eggert. A wife airline pilot has waves in three major cities. (CC)
51	ABCAM	7th Heaven "The Enemy Within" Capt. Jack Smith's father accuses Mary of re-joining his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)	Smallville "Clockwork" Clark discovers that a brooding stranger has been leaving his son. (CC)
53	HIST	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)	True Action Adventures Battleship attack. (CC) (WVH) (CC)
57	STR-WI	5:40 *** "Dead Heat" (2002, Suspense) Kiefer Sutherland, Anthony LaPaglia, Radha Mitchell	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"	1:35 "South Kensington"
58	ADV 1	Action Asia "Into the Danger Zone" The Adventure: A Trip to Mount Etna, Europe's most active volcano. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)	Batu Lata: A Spike in the Jungle! Iron rock climbers attempt to summit Batu Lata in Borneo. (CC)
59	MTV	Gary "Omron" (N)	Pimp My Ride	Direct Effect	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest	Battle for Ozfest
60	NICK	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants	Justice/SpongeBob SquarePants

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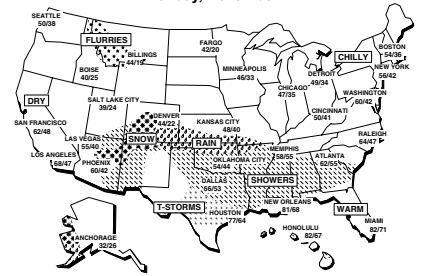
Extended Forecasts

TOKYO Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 61, low 48. Thursday: Partly sunny, high 52, low 43.	KADENA Wednesday: Mostly cloudy, high 76, low 68. Thursday: Mostly cloudy, high 74, low 61.	SEUL Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 43, low 20. Thursday: Showers, high 41, low 26.	MANILA Wednesday: Mostly cloudy, high 86, low 69. Thursday: Showers, high 84, low 68.	HAGATNA Wednesday: Thunderstorms, high 86, low 76. Thursday: Showers, high 86, low 79.
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Saturday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	53/36	Los Angeles	68/50
Amarillo	46/40	Little Rock	68/52
Anchorage	41/24	Louisville	63/46
Ashville	66/48	Miami	83/70
Baltimore	59/49	Milwaukee	52/32
Birmingham	69/56	Nashville	65/51
Bismarck	40/17	New York	52/44
Boise	41/20	Omaha	48/28
Boston	50/39	Orlando	82/60
Brownsville	87/72	Philadelphia	56/47
Buffalo	55/46	Phoenix	72/53
Burlington	44/38	Pittsburgh	60/48
Charleston, SC	80/61	Portland, OR	48/31
Charlotte	71/54	Portland, ME	45/34
Chicago	63/43	Salt Lake City	35/22
Columbus, OH	62/45	St. Louis	57/37
Duluth	39/21	San Antonio	74/63
El Paso	67/43	San Diego	69/53
Hartford	49/40	San Juan	84/76
Helena	33/12	Tampa	83/64
Indianapolis	57/41	Tulsa	60/44
Jacksonville	77/60	Washington	60/50
Kansas City	54/34	Wichita	51/39

Monday, November 22



U.S. Extended Forecast

A strong storm over the Desert Southwest will continue to strengthen and rapidly push into the Great Plains Monday through Wednesday. This storm has potential to snarl holiday travel across the Upper Midwest Wednesday. A very cold shot of air will rapidly surge southward from central Canada, driving temperatures some 10 to 20 degrees below normal in the Plains. Mild, generally dry weather will continue in the East Monday and Tuesday, but the aforementioned storm will likely make for a wet day Wednesday. In the Southeast, warm weather will be the rule with thunderstorms possible Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	85/69	Iwakuni	61/46
Beijing	53/34	Kadena AB	74/64
Camp Casey	53/35	Kunsan AB	56/43
Christchurch	64/45	Kwajalein	86/78
Hong Kong	85/76	Manila	82/67
Hagatna	86/77	Masawa AB	51/37
Hanoi	76/62	Osan	53/38
Hong Kong	72/65	Perth	67/67
Honolulu	82/67	Pusan	59/46

Monday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Acapulco	91/73	Buenos Aires	81/63	Kabul	60/33	Nairobi	80/53
Athens	45/37	Cairo	69/43	Kiev	25/17	New Delhi	85/54
Auckland	65/52	Cancun	88/64	Kuwait	80/60	Oslo	29/22
Baghdad	78/41	Cape Town	64/46	London	55/46	Paris	51/42
Barbados	85/70	Geneva	47/42	Madrid	57/44	Rio de Janeiro	71/60
Barcelona	60/49	Honolulu	82/67	Mexico City	73/47	Rome	55/47
Berlin	44/41	Johannesburg	74/56	Montreal	42/29	St. Petersburg	20/14
Bermuda	72/61	Moscow	70/52	Mogadishu	85/72	Stockholm	28/25
Brussels	52/40	Moscow	70/52	Moscow	70/52	Warsaw	30/29



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ACLU has outlived usefulness

I am proud to have been affiliated with the Boy Scouts, beginning around 1964, and most recently, serving as Scout master for a year at Lajes Field, Azores. I served the finest young men this world has the privilege to look upon. Their dads were the same.

I was disturbed to see a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union appear on Fox News Channel's "O'Reilly Factor" reporting that the ACLU has successfully persuaded the Pentagon to forbid any further alliance of itself or its bases with the Boy Scouts of America. They have made this move under the old guise of "separation of church and state."

This has gone far enough. The ACLU has outlived its usefulness in our country. It is not American. Most of us in the United States, and all of us overseas, are wholeheartedly grateful for the opportunity to have our boys associated with the Boy Scouts of America. The ACLU does not represent America, its values or its people. It is not capable of speaking for the citizenry.

It is infringing — no, removing — the great liberties our great country has always held out to all people. There is no liberty in what the ACLU has just enacted. It is, I fear, a union, and members are altogether wrong in their persuasions.

Something things only get stronger when they

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are attacked. I hope it is so for the people who believe in the worthwhile existence of the Boy Scouts of America. I hope we all begin to speak up.

Nelson Harold
Garmisch, Germany

Thanks to Samaritan at PX

I want to say thank you to a very helpful lady who happened to be in line behind me at the Vilecek post exchange in Germany.

I recently visited my sister, who has advanced cancer and can no longer travel (she has a dependent identification card). All I wanted to do was pick up a couple of things for her.

At the cash register I was told that retired military cannot use the PX or commissary. I was totally shocked.

Unknown to me, a woman waiting behind me at the register was listening in.

Still totally baffled, I walked out of the PX. She followed me out and, even knowing that this was against the rules, she had paid for everything, handed me the bag and wished us the best. Although I tried to reimburse her, she would not take a dime.

I never did get the opportunity to really say thank you, but with a shining example of humanity. Thank you, again.

I remember the day well when, after proudly serving 20-plus years in the Navy, I received my retired ID card. Now, I just shake my head in amazement on how little else these years cost for.

Marion Conlin
Seattle

Americans know how to fly the seats

BY MARC FISHER

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON
T wo pounds of apples cost more than one. Mailing a big, fat envelope is more expensive than mailing a letter. Smokers pay more for life insurance than do nonsmokers.

So why shouldn't you pay an airline according to how much you weigh and how much space you take up? A report the other day from the National Center for Environmental Health tells us that our collective national belt-tightening is costing the airlines big money — an extra \$275 million in fuel costs in one year to account for the 10-pound average increase in Americans' weight over the past decade.

The airlines are desperately trying to cut fuel costs by cutting the weight they carry — replacing metal utensils with plastic, scrapping heavy magazines. But the solution lies beneath the floor of the passenger cabin. Charge passengers by the pound, just as freight in cargo holds is priced.

That would not only help the airlines but, more important, would create a social and financial disincentive for becoming or staying obese.

As things stand, the one-third of Americans who are not overweight subsidize the two-thirds who are. It's in everyone's interest to shift the balance back toward healthier, slimmer lives.

The last time I took up this case, a couple

of years ago, I had the sad duty to report that L.L. Bean had changed its pricing policy and would charge the same for its clothing no matter the size. It was a big break for the big-boned, and a strike against fairness for everyone else. Traditionally, clothing that's made of more material has, logically enough, cost more than the same item in a smaller size.

But compared with L.L. Bean cravenly chasing after the loyalties of its broadening customers, the transportation industry faces a tougher predicament. After all, an airplane seat is only so wide.

Advocates for the obese reject solutions that put the responsibility for obesity squarely on the bellies of the big. The American Obesity Association argues that our commercial and entertainment culture bears a good part of the blame for our becoming a nation of wide loads.

With almost any other malady, we distinguish between people's behavior and their affliction. You might behave in ways that make me more likely that you'll get cancer, but when you do get cancer, it's generally perceived as a really bad break that deserves occasions of sympathy. But if you're large, the public reaction is that it's your own damn fault and maybe you should lay off the Mars bars. "We suspend the compassion that we normally feel," says Morgan Downey, director of the obesity group, put it. Instead, we laugh in the general direction of fat people, making a "moral judgment of laziness, self-control, weakness," Downey said.

Fair enough. But accepting the idea that obesity is a community problem strengthens the case for creating such disincentives as paying by the pound for air travel.

Yet when Southwest Airlines tried to drop the line of obese passengers flowing over onto someone else's seat, the obesity lobby rolled into action. Southwest's policy is simple and fair: If you take up more than one seat, you need to buy the extra seat. The airline refused the extra charge if there are empty seats on a given flight.

The Obesity Association reacted by asking Southwest to install wider seats for the extra-large. No way, said Southwest, which went ahead with its policy, noting that only six seats per airplane account for their profit margin. Replacing only three rows of seats per plane with extra-wide seats would suck up all their profits, Southwest's president argued.

All that extra weight we're carrying is a burden not only on the airlines' bottom line, but on our very survival. After a commuter plane crashed last year in Charlotte, N.C., federal investigators said it might have been overloaded. So the FAA ordered airlines to revise the formula they use to estimate the weights of passengers. The feds tacked an extra 10 pounds onto the assumed average weight of an American adult.

The answer: Public weighing before every flight. Heck, it'll add some entertainment while we wait at the security checkpoints. Shame, a nearly lost touch of social pressure. In this society, is good. Line 'em up, weigh 'em in and watch pounds come off.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury



OPINION

Specter survived, but at what cost?

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Sen. Arlen Specter [what's left of him — has weathered the storm of conservative protest to secure the chairmanship of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Anyone who has followed his career should have bet on his survival. But Specter may have paid for this coveted post with his presumed independence.

The ugliness began two weeks ago, after Republicans increased their majority in the Senate by picking up four seats in the election.

Specter dared to point out that Democrats still had the ability to block President Bush's judicial nominees through the use of a filibuster, and said he expected the president to keep that in mind when nominating judges.

An avalanche of overreaction by the Republican Party's right wing accused Specter of being unsuitable for the chairmanship. Specter has pledged since then not to stand in the way of President Bush's judicial nominees. Following two days of closed-door meetings with colleagues whose

support he needs, the pro-choice Specter delivered a written statement Thursday that he will not impose a pro-choice "litmus test" on candidates and will give them prompt hearings.

As a practical matter, Specter has yet to give up much. Pledging to support the president's judicial nominees is no shift from his record of the last four years. Specter has voted to approve all of Bush's judges to date, pro-choice or not.

It won't become clear until January, when the new Congress convenes, whether Chairman Specter will in fact serve as a rubber stamp for President Bush. But in principle, his pledge to look favorably on all the president's nominees is an abandonment of his self-professed independent streak.

The presumption now is that he will approach nominees as if the fair fight is waiting for him off with a long look. That's not what the nation needs or deserves from a moderate who will be the single most important lawmaker in Washington for safeguarding settled law, including *Roe v. Wade*. When the time comes for Specter to ask tough questions, he

can't be afraid to ask them.

More disturbing than Specter's ideological jibe is the manner in which a minority in America — the anti-abortion forces — are holding hostage the Senate's constitutional role of giving "advice and consent" to the president. If the upshot of the last two weeks is to guarantee confirmation of all Bush nominees, why bother to hold hearings? Just send black robes to the lucky winners via overnight mail.

Conservatives are angry that Democrats have blocked 10 Bush nominees in the last four years. Do they not want the Senate to examine the qualifications of people like Thomas B. Griffith, Bush's nominee for a lifetime seat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, who failed to maintain a valid law license for three years? In pretending to oppose a "litmus test" for judges on abortion, that's exactly what the anti-abortion forces seek — a guarantee that only conservative, anti-abortion judges will be approved. And if that's the case, the Senate's role will be reduced to that of a meek matador allowing bulls to charge right on past.



Toward that end, Senate Republicans have been contemplating a rule change to end the filibuster, thereby removing Democrats' ultimate weapon. That inadvisable move would poison an already-partisan chamber. And it

would underscore the hypocrisy of GOP senators who did everything in their power, including employing the filibuster at least four times, to block President Clinton's more controversial judicial nominees.

When her job is in the home, guilt and joy converge

BOSTON I'm not supposed to like "Desperate Housewives." It's either post-feminist or pre-feminist. It's too retro. It's either an example of the backlash or a product of the cultural collapse.

Ellen Goodman

The "DH" steamiest has the American Family Association railing against its sex in the suburbs. The "DH" locker room promo on "Monday Night Football" has the Federal Communications Commission in wardrobe malfunction mode.

So sue me. This show had me from hello. It wasn't the mystery or the lingerie. It was Lynette.

In the very first episode, the woman who left her high-powered job to be overwhelmed by four kids ran into a coffin and manicured former co-worker who asked how she likes her new life. After a one trenchant pause, Lynette repeated the cliché for all seasons: "This is the best job I ever had."

You have to love this woman struggling to fit her round soul into the square hole of her PTA life. The man doing the best she can with a mother's little helper from her twins' ADD medication bottle. The wife in love with her clueless husband but willing to bop him when he suggests a little unprotected romp.

Never mind the campy cast, the Stepford Bred, the ditsy Susan, the sleazy Gabrielle. It's Lynette who speaks truth to power — the power of the updated and eternal myth of momhood.

This "truth" is that even a woman who purposely chooses to be a full-time mom can be one nap away from losing it. The "truth" is that mothers who would throw their bodies in front of a truck for their

children also fantasize about throwing their kids in front of a truck. OK, a little wooden truck.

There's a mother lode of TV shows this year: The powerful and unpredictable mother of would-be presidents on "Jack and Bobby." The real women on the "wife swap" shows, which are, in fact, "mom swap" shows. But Lynette is the pick of the crop.

This character is the creation of Marc Cherry and, more importantly, his mom. One day back in 2002, mother and son were watching the Andrea Yates trial when he expressed bewilderment at how any woman could drown her own five children in the bathtub. That's when his mother said, "I've been there."

Of course, Martha Cherry was desperate — though not homicidal — in the last years of the feminine mystique. Fast forward through 40 years of change. Fast forward through feminism.

Lynette's entire cohort can grow up with the message that women can choose what they want. This is especially true for the subset of families who can afford mort-

gages on their own Wisteria Lane. The women are subject to a never-ending supply of books about the dangers of children in othercars. They are also treated to recycled articles about other women leaving corner offices for home without a word about what happens after that happily ever after.

Today's mothers worked hard and had children later. The postpartum choices they face include 60-hour jobs or none. At the same time, women who can afford to stay home are now seen as the lucky ones.

Indeed many feel lucky. But in unexpected ways, the new sense of choice has stifled the permission for complicated feelings about full-time motherhood. Love it or leave it.

Have we come full circle to a post-feminine mystique? Felicity Huffman, the actress who plays Lynette and a mother of two young children, says, "There's one way to be a mother and that's basically to go, I find it so fulfilling and I've never wanted anything else and I love it." And if you do anything that diverges from that, you're considered a bad mother. I didn't

know this existed until I became a mother and the pressure is phenomenal."

I wonder whether women have been so busy fighting the mommy wars that they've forgotten that shared pressure. In her over-the-top way, Lynette is a rare character in the demilitarized zone, talking to both sides.

She's saying, yes, you can want to be at home and still admit to going nuts at 5 p.m. Yes, you can be fiercely in love with your children and long to pack up the minivan and drive off. Yes, you can be dedicated to doing the right thing and not at all sure you're doing it.

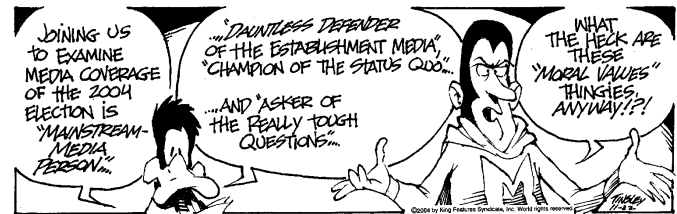
This is still largely a discussion among women. We don't yet have a prima-time show about desperate husbands trying to support the families on Wisteria Lane. Or married costumes for the school play.

But if you are looking (hard) for signposts of a slowly changing society, "DH" is not just the No. 1 show among women between 18 and 34. It's also the No. 2 among men of the same age. Right after, um, "Monday Night Football."

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Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



Hero takes the hit

CA SAN FRANCISCO — A man died in San Francisco after he pushed a companion out of the way of a car being driven by a man alleged to be a drunken driver, then was struck by the car himself, police said.

Manmeet Singh, 21, died Sunday at San Francisco General Hospital, about 15 hours after he was hit. Singh was crossing the intersection with a woman whom he pushed out of the way before he was hit, police spokeswoman Maria Oropeza said. Police arrested Gordon Wong, 21, and booked him on suspicion of vehicular manslaughter, driving under the influence and failing to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Whale passes on

MA WOODS HOLE — A beluga whale that captured the fancy of boaters and divers with his playful antics last summer apparently died from natural causes, marine mammal researchers said Tuesday.

The whale nicknamed POCO was taken to a laboratory for examination after washing ashore on a mud flat Monday in South Portland, Maine.

A preliminary examination showed the whale's lymph nodes were larger than normal and that tissues surrounding his esophagus were swollen, suggesting he died from an infection, said Dr. Larry Dunn of the Mystic Aquarium.

The 9- to 9-foot light gray beluga whale made headlines because of his playful nature, rubbing against boats, divers and swimmers.

Money laundering, sort of

LA GREENSBURG — How do you dry out \$67,380 in stolen cash recovered from a beaver dam? Very carefully, as St. Helena Parish deputies found out.

First, the soggy bills were spread out in the vault at the Bank of Greensburg. But they started to smell — so badly that Maj. Michael Martin can't help wrinkling his nose just talking about it.

Then, the dough was dumped into one of the large dryers at the parish jail. But the muddy moolah simply clumped together. That, though, was easy enough to solve. Adding an old pair of tennis shoes broke up the wet wads of bills.

Finding the proper dryer setting, though, took a time or two to get right. "Regular dry" turned some bills in the first batch "a little too crispy," Martin said. The next three and a half loads on "permanent press" came out warm and fluffy, but still slightly muddy.

Deputies found two bags of cash stuck in a beaver dam. One had been torn open and some of the cash had apparently been woven into the dam with sticks and other materials by beavers.

Porn dismissal upheld

IA DES MOINES — The Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals was justified in firing an employee for allegedly e-mailing pornographic pictures to colleagues, the Iowa Public Employment Relations Board ruled.

Robert Woods, who was fired in 2002, argued at his appeal hearing that his e-mails had "adult humor." The board noted that in one five-month period Wood had sent or received at least 25 inappro-



private e-mails.

South Beach for kids

FL KISSIMMEE — Lunch these days for about 2,700 grade schoolers is low-fat and low-carb — a la South Beach Diet. The menu switch is part of a children's health study by Miami Beach cardiologist Arthur Agatston, author of the best-selling South Beach Diet books. If the diet helps students maintain a healthy weight, the study may be expanded to other school districts.

Students have been measured, weighed and fitted with pedometers to count each step they take and encourage them to keep active. The program at Kissimmee Charter Elementary, Mill Creek Elementary, Partin Settlement Elementary and P.M. Wells Charter Elementary ends in May.

'Who's Who' in prison

VT ST. ALBANS — A teacher who was sentenced in August to up to seven years in prison for having an affair with a female student has been listed as one of America's best teachers.

Richard Bugbee Jr. of St. Albans is one of the 134,000 teachers featured in the current edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." The annual list is compiled and issued by Educational Communications Inc. in Austin,

Texas.

The company touts its listing as "among our nation's best and most respected teachers."

Teachers are nominated by current or former students listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students," "Who's Who Among American High School Students-Sports Edition," or "The National Dreamer's List." Teachers also make the list "because they are held in the highest regard by their communities and peers," according to the company's Web site.

The project coordinator, who only identified herself as Ellen, said she could not release the name of the student who nominated Bugbee or the date of the nomination because of privacy issues.

Race track fuels debate

CT PLAINFIELD — Plans for an indoor, 140,000-seat auto racing track are drawing opposition from three citizens' groups.

One group questions job-creation estimates for the \$343 million project, saying they're inaccurate because the developer hasn't received commitments from major racing organizations. A University of Connecticut study predicts the project, which includes a hotel and retail stores, would create up to 8,750 jobs by 2007.

Hospitable cabbies?

MI ROMULUS — Southeastern Michigan tourism officials have started hospitality training classes for cab drivers, waiters, bartenders and others. More than 100 cab drivers at Detroit Metropolitan Airport are the first to take the four-hour class.

Detroit hosts baseball's All-Star game in 2005, the 2006 Super Bowl and the 2009 college basketball Final Four.

Cops hold meeting

CA LOS ANGELES — More than 15,000 law enforcement officers are in town this week attending the 111th annual conference of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The officers will attend panels on forensics, terrorism prevention and funding issues during the five-day event. They will also test products displayed by more than 650 vendors.

Poison prank

GA ATLANTA — The father of one of two 13-year-old girls accused of serving poisoned cake to about a dozen students said Thursday he and his daughter were sorry it happened.

"It was a horrible prank that went too far and a lot of people have suffered," the father said. The man asked that he not be identified by name to protect his daughter.

The girls were held on assault charges Wednesday, a day after handing out the cornbread cake at East Cobb Middle School.

Lab tests showed the icing contained an expired prescription drug, bleach, clay and hot-pepper sauce, police said. Eleven students who ate it were treated at a hospital and released.

The father said the two girls had been bored Tuesday and began playing around in the kitchen. "It was not an intentional malicious intent," he said. "They thought it would be funny. They know it's not funny now."



Up close, personal

Girl Scouts from Troop 3354 of Kaufman, Texas, get a close up look at a portrait of first lady Louisa Catherine Adams, wife of President John Quincy Adams at The Women's Museum in Dallas.



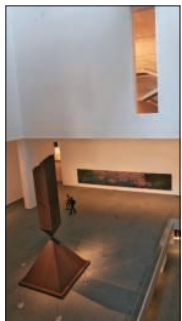
Letting off steam

Mount St. Helens experiences a minor steam eruption in Washington State as viewed from the Johnson Ridge Observatory in Mount St. Helens, Wash. At right is a tree toppled by the volcano's massive 1980 eruption.



Long winter?

President of the Punsuwtawney Groundhog Club, William Cooper, shows off Punsuwtawney Phil to second-graders from Mountain View Elementary in Harrisburg, Pa. The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission used the groundhog as a way to discuss how to prepare for winter.



Grand re-opening

An atrium rises at the center of the renovated Museum of Modern Art in New York with the sculpture "Broken Oblique" by Barnett Newman and Monet's "Waterlilies" on the second floor. MoMA was to re-open to the public Saturday.



Tender loving care Garland County Humane Society members Mary Ann Taft, left, and Ray Ann Reynolds feed some oats to one of several dozen malnourished horses reportedly under the care of Hot Springs trainer Glenn Hild at a training center in Bonnerdale, Ark.



Ready to roar again Morgan Kibby, a conservation technician, steam cleans the lion named "Patience" on the steps of the New York Public Library along Fifth Avenue. The 93-year-old marble sculptures are fully restored.



Long stretch Adults participate in a dance class to get or stay fit, at Dance Studio No. 1 in Los Angeles.

Illegal smokes seized

NY NEW YORK — A cargo plane carrying 150,000 cartons of illegal cigarettes was detained at John F. Kennedy International Airport, authorities said.

Agents from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms seized the cigarettes as part of a nationwide effort to halt sales of contraband tobacco. Buyers of illegal cigarettes usually hope to avoid city, state and federal tobacco taxes, the ATF said.

The cargo airline, which was not identified, was cooperating with the government and no charges were expected to be filed.

Bizarre Wal-Mart customer

TN KNOXVILLE — A man accused of stroking strangers' buttocks at a Wal-Mart racked up three felony convictions for the bizarre incident.

Cesar David Cruz pleaded guilty before Knox County Criminal Court Judge Mary Beth Leibowitz to three counts of sexual battery.

Neither Cruz nor his attorney, Mike Whalen, offered an explanation for the Oct. 23 incident that landed Cruz in jail.

According to court records, Cruz may have spent up to seven hours at the store before his alleged crimes were reported.

He was accused of stroking the buttocks of a 15-year-old girl and at least two other women and then waiting to watch their reactions.

Family members stabbed

CA UNION CITY — A man is in jail facing three charges of attempted murder, while his mother, father and sister are recovering from multiple stab wounds from his apparent attack in the family's home.

Police were summoned to the home after a neighbor reported two women running from the house, bleeding and screaming hysterically.

Janice Estanque, 22, with wounds to her neck, left a trail of blood as she ran down the street knocking on five different doors before someone finally called 911.

While paramedics attended to the women, officers were alerted to the home by a man screaming that someone was trying to kill him.

The desperate man was Eifren Estanque, 32, who was named under his son Jeffrey Estanque, 20, on the front porch as his son tried to stab him with a butcher knife, said Union City Police Lt. Kelly Musgrove.

Police jolted the younger Estanque in the arm with two hits from a Taser gun. Capt. Brian Foley told reporters that Jeffrey Estanque had been depressed lately.

Heroic bus riders

FL ST. PETERSBURG — Passengers stopped a charter bus from plunging nearly 200 feet off a bridge after the driver collapsed, apparently from a heart attack.

The bus was near the top of the Sunshine Skyway bridge when Thomas Grove, 61, fell out of his seat, passengers and authorities said.

It slammed into the 3-foot concrete wall, which blocks vehicles

from tumbling into Tampa Bay. Three of the five passengers jumped out of their seats and ran toward the front.

The passengers — all unharmed — called 911 and Amtrak, which uses the bus to shuttle passengers from Fort Myers to Tampa. They spent another 10 minutes in the bus because they didn't know how to open the door.

Two nurses driving by stopped to help, performing CPR on the driver. Grove, of Pinellas Park, died within hours at a hospital.

Early reports suggested he may have had a heart attack, authorities said.

Political disputes

NY LAKE PLACID — A mayoral candidate here known for walking around town with a parrot named Arturo Tortilla on his shoulder has been charged with felony burglary, accused of stealing an acquaintance's Dirt Devil vacuum.

Michael Sullivan, 58, was released from the Essex County Jail after posting \$500 bail, said Sheriff Henry Hommes.

Sullivan spent two nights at a vacant home owned by Christopher McGill, police told the Adirondack Daily Enterprise.

But on the second night, McGill left a note for Sullivan that read, "Two nights is too many, three nights and you're out." The letter also warned the mayoral hopeful that if he stayed a third night, it would be trespassing, police said.

Later, McGill, discovered his vacuum missing. After finding a green feather belonging to Sullivan's parrot, McGill determined Sullivan not only ignored his warning, but made off with his Dirt Devil, authorities said.

Sullivan was charged with second-degree burglary, according to police.

College vaccinations

KS TOPEKA — Starting next year, more than 4,800 students living in group housing at the University of Kansas must be vaccinated against meningitis or sign a waiver, university officials announced. The policy will apply to students living in dormitories, smaller scholarship halls or an apartment complex operated by the university.

Naughty firefighters

CA SAN FRANCISCO — An internal complaint about an adult entertainment program played in a San Francisco International Airport firehouse has led officials to quietly tell firefighters that such entertainment is not appropriate and that anyone bringing it in could face discipline.

High-ranking departmental officers have been meeting with firefighters in recent days after a firefighter told Chief Joanne Hayes-White about at least two firefighters watching the adult program in a common area of the station Oct. 28.

In the past, department officials have come under fire for failing to crack down on allegations of sexual harassment and drinking in the firehouses. Recently, firefighters have been brought up on disciplinary charges related to drinking and sexual harassment.

Stories and photos from wire reports

Horoscope

Even before man had the technology to know what the planet Venus looked like close up, humans sensed her beauty and named her appropriately. When scientists finally saw her, the soft, luminous Venus was more mesmerizing than ever imagined! She enters Scorpio this morning, adding an extreme dimension to our love lives.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(November 22). Your vision of this year is beautiful — write it down, and look at it often in order to make it happen. Put out your feeters next month, and you'll find a diverse set of resources you can draw from to turn your life in a different direction. Romance starts the new year off with you floating on air. An influx of money makes a new project possible in February.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Oh, how you want to break free. That could be why it's hard to concentrate. Though people are moving their mouths and words seem to be coming out, you're not getting what they have to say. Plan a vacation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You love hearing people's stories, and they love telling them to you. You'll find out there are fabulous examples of success around you. This spurs you toward actively pursuing one of your own dreams.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

There's a touch of the rebel-bad-die-crazy in you today. Think of sigmamas Colin Farrell and Angelina Jolie. You do it your way, and if others are shocked or offended, oh, well. You're playful enough that their reactions don't last long.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Money can help you get a project off the ground, but it's not the be-all-end-all between you and what you want. So if you can't find the cash, go forward anyway. Publicity is key. Make the phone call.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You'll be walking that fine line between self-awareness and self-consciousness. Keep in mind that only

best people deal with nervous problems. Embrace your fear — it's endearing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Taking care of yourself is essential if you're to accomplish all you have on that extensive list of yours. If you err, in that human kind of way, just make sure the conflict is solved by the time you go to bed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You're in a practical mood. Use it to figure out whom you need to know. You've got the guts to walk up to a perfect stranger and introduce yourself. Gemini and Leo are especially lucky.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Your intuition is your biggest success tool. Use it to figure out whom you need to know. You've got the guts to walk up to a perfect stranger and introduce yourself. Gemini and Leo are especially lucky.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Low on faith? It's not so wrong to ask for proof once in a while. Romantically, you might feel like you're in a rut. It's time for an energizing flirtation! You've a special connection with a Pisces.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Tension seems to be stringing you together, from your head to your shoes. It's no way to live. Discharge an obligation once and for all. You'll feel the weight lift so you can dance again.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Gorillas show they're in love by picking this off of one another. If you find yourself being overly nit-picky, your heart may be telling you something. By the way, there may be healthier ways to show your affection.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

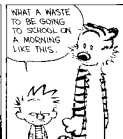
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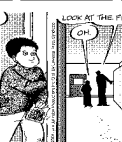
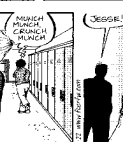
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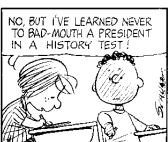
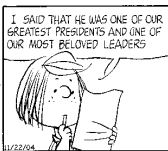
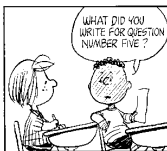
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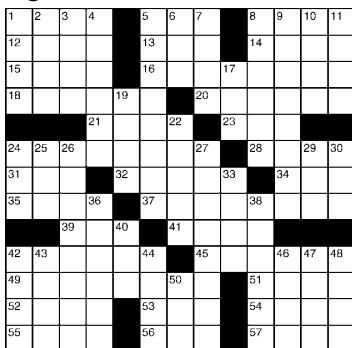
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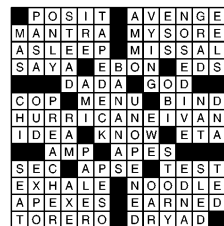
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Santa Clara shocks No. 4 North Carolina

BY JAMIE MCCAULEY

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Roy Williams traveled a long way to get outfoxed by an old golfing buddy.

Travis Nielsen scored 26 points and Kyle Bailey made three second-half three-pointers as Santa Clara spoiled No. 4 North Carolina's season opener 77-66 Friday night in the Pete Newell Challenge.

The cold-shooting Tar Heels lost their opener for only the fifth time since 1930 and will certainly lose their highest pre-season ranking in seven years.

Williams blamed himself for not having his team better prepared, but also gave credit to his longtime friend, Santa Clara coach Dick Davy.

"I've got to do a heck of a lot better job and do the little things we've talked about all along," Williams said. "We are extremely disappointed. Ticked off is what I am, but I'm ticked off at myself not at the kids."

Williams invited Davy golfing at fancy Cypress Point earlier in the week — and when their teams met on the basketball court, Santa Clara always seemed close to taking the lead.

Nielsen and 6-foot-2 dynamo Doron Perkins scored inside consistently, while the Broncos got most of the big rebounds. Santa Clara mostly kept North Carolina on the perimeter, where the Heels' poor shoot-



Santa Clara's Doron Perkins (30) celebrates after his team's 77-66 victory over No. 4 North Carolina on Friday night.

ing doomed them in their first game on the West Coast in four years.

Nielsen forced himself to ignore the name on North Carolina's baby blue uniforms and just play.

"I don't think I'm very good. I just play really hard," said Nielsen, who made 10 of his 14 shots. "I'm not afraid of anyone, man."

Sean May had 19 points and nine rebounds in the first meeting between these schools since Michael Jordan's playing days. Rashad McCants scored 15 of his 20 points in the second half before fouling out in the final minute.

When it ended, Nielsen threw the ball up high enough to hit the overhead scoreboard, then walked in front of the fans, holding out his jersey while the crowd cheered.

"It feels like they're more athletic at every position," said Perkins, who added 11 points and nine rebounds. "We came out with energy we've never come with before."

North Carolina shot 36.5 percent and went 14-for-24 from the free throw line — not exactly the kind of basketball expected from a top-five team.

Bailey finished with 20 points for Santa Clara (3-1), which already played three games in the NABC Classic last week, including a 34-point loss to host New Mexico.

North Carolina never looked comfortable on either end of the floor, probably in part because the Heels were without suspended point guard Raymond Felton.

"We didn't get a real feel of the game," said freshman Quentin Thomas, a former prep star in Oakland who earned the start in place of Felton. "Our shots weren't falling, but at the same time we couldn't turn it up on defense."

They began a stretch of seven games in 16 days with an ugly offensive night and didn't match the energy of the Broncos, who beat a top-five team for only the third time in Davy's 13-year tenure.

But he was more interested in scouting

the Stanford-San Francisco game afterward than celebrating one big win.

"Obviously, I'm excited about the victory, but I think you have to keep things in perspective," Davy said. "It's only one game."

Bailey made back-to-back three-pointers to give the Broncos a 45-32 lead with 15:16 remaining, and Santa Clara kept making big baskets down the stretch to avoid any drama late.

Williams went with Thomas over Melvin Scott and Wes Miller to replace Felton, who served a one-game suspension for playing in a non-certified summer league. Thomas had his prep uniform retired at halftime.

North Carolina returns all five starters from a team that went 19-11 last season, and Williams wants the Heels to be better defensively this season. But after this poor offensive performance he'll certainly have them working even harder on their shooting, too.

The Tar Heels had won 68 of their previous 73 season openers and placed Santa Clara for only the third time. North Carolina won the last meeting in 1982, led by Jordan's 22 points in the 79-56 victory.

Even when they weren't under pressure, the taller and bigger Tar Heels couldn't knock down open shots — reserve C.J. Hooker missed an open dunk with 20 seconds left. They were routinely beaten to loose balls.

No.1 Jayhawks escape upset against Catamounts

The Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Vermont was not worried about playing the nation's No. 1 team on the road. For much of the night, it was the capacity crowd at Allen Fieldhouse that seemed nervous.

The Catamounts gave top-ranked Kansas and their fans a big scare Friday night before the Jayhawks finally pulled away in the final minutes for a 68-61 victory.

Vermont, which returns four starters from last year's 22-9 team, held a four-point lead with less than 5 minutes left.

"Our guys did not seem intimidated," Vermont coach Tom Brennan said. "There were a couple of close calls at the end that did not go our way. But we were still in the game with the lead left."

Wayne Simien had 25 points and 14 rebounds and scored the last four points of a 9-2 game-ending run.

"Wayne Simien is a horse," Kansas guard Keith Langford said. "We just got on his back and ride."

Simien had a double-double at halftime, which ended with Kansas holding a tenuous three-point lead.

"Who scheduled that one?" said Simien with a laugh. "The first game is supposed to ease into the season, man. But we knew they were going to come out and play us tough."

The Jayhawks, who haven't started a season No. 1 since Wilt Chamberlain was in school, trailed the underdog Catamounts 58-54 when Taylor Coppenrath hit a short jumper with 4:24 left.

Men's AP Top 25

Christian Moody, a walk-on starter, then made two free throws to give Kansas a 61-59 lead with 2:49 left and start a 9-2 run that extinguished Vermont's bid for what would have been one of the great upsets in school history.

No. 3 Georgia Tech 74, Alabama St. 37: At Atlanta, Jarrett Jack scored 20 points and Georgia Tech held Alabama State scoreless for more than nine minutes to begin the game.

The Hornets, also playing their season opener, were trailing 2-0 before the tipoff. Tyrece Legette was given a technical for dunking during pregame warmups, and Jack hit two free throws before the game began.

No. 5 Syracuse 77, No. 24 Memphis 62: At New York, Hakim Warrick had 25 points and Gerry McNamara added 21 to help Syracuse win the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic championship. Rodney Carney, coming off a career-high 33 points in the semifinals, had 25 points for Memphis (3-1).

No. 6 Illinois 87, Delaware St. 67: At Champaign, Ill., Dee Brown scored 17 points to help Illinois win its season opener.

No. 7 Oklahoma St. 91, Northwestern St. 53: John Lucas scored 24 points and Joey Graham added 18, leading host Oklahoma State to a victory in its season opener.

Graham scored 15 first-half points, and Lucas had 16 after the break for the Cowboys. Ivan Mc-

Farlin added 14 points for Oklahoma State.

No. 12 Mississippi St. 67, Saint Mary's 54: At New York, Lawrence Roberts scored 20 points to lead Mississippi State to a third-place finish in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic tournament.

Despite playing with a face mask because of a broken nose, Roberts finished 6-for-18 from the field and had seven rebounds.

No. 13 Michigan St. 104, Florida A&M 72: Kelvin Torbert scored 21 points and helped Michigan State win its season opener at home. Maurice Ager added 20 points for the Spartans.

No. 15 Maryland 93, Jackson St. 57: At College Park, Md., Travis Garrison scored a career-high 21 points, and Maryland pulled away after halftime.

Ekene Ibekwe had a career-high 17 points and eight rebounds for the Terrapins.

No. 16 Texas 95, Texas St. 63: P.J. Tucker scored 18 points to lead the Longhorns in their season opener at home. Brad Buckman and Kenton Paulino each scored 13 for the Longhorns.

No. 18 Alabama 97, Western Carolina 66: At Tusculuola, Ala., Kennedy Winston scored 24 points and the Crimson Tide was never tested after the first five minutes.

Point guard Ronald Steele became only the third freshman to start a season opener for the Crimson Tide. He scored three points.

No. 19 North Carolina St. 100, East Carolina 66: At Raleigh, N.C., Tony Bethel scored 22 points to lead North Carolina State in the championship game of the ITA Invitational.

The Wolfpack (3-0) cruised through the three games.

No. 20 Notre Dame 66, Har-

vard 59: Chris Quinn scored 20 points and Chris Thomas added 17 as host Notre Dame won despite blowing an 18-point lead.

Brian Cusworth led Harvard with 15 points and 13 rebounds for the Crimson.

No. 22 Washington 89, Seattle Pacific 71: At Seattle, Brandon Roy scored 23 points and Nate Robinson added 22 to lead Washington in its season opener.

Freshman Joel Smith scored 15 points, while Mike Jensen had 14 points for Washington.

No. 23 Florida 81, Jacksonville 59: At Jacksonville, Fla., Anthony Robinson scored 19 points and David Lee added 15 points.

No. 25 Gonzaga 98, Portland St. 80: At Spokane, Wash., Ronny Turiaf scored a career-high 33 points and Gonzaga shot 65 percent to win its season opener.

Blake Walker led Portland State with 22 points.

It's not all roses for Michigan at Ohio St.

Wolverines' hold on BCS bowl berth slips in upset loss

BY RUSTY MILLER
The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State swept its troubles away for at least a day.

Quarterback Troy Smith ran for 145 yards, Ted Ginn Jr. set school and Big Ten records with his fourth punt return touchdown of the season and the Buckeyes upset No. 7 Michigan 37-21 on Saturday.

The loss kept the Wolverines (9-2, 7-1) from clinching an outright Big Ten title and may have cost them a return visit to the Rose Bowl, pending the outcome of Wisconsin's game at Iowa later Saturday. The Wolverines had won their last 13 conference games.

They needed Iowa to beat the Badgers to earn a second straight Rose Bowl berth.

Ohio State's fourth season under coach Jim Tressel has been a tough one. The Buckeyes started the Big Ten season with three straight losses and plummeted out of the rankings. Just when things started looking better on the field, problems arose off.

Two weeks ago former Ohio State star Maurice Clarett accused Tressel, his staff and Buckeye boosters of giving him and other players improper benefits. An NCAA investigation is about to begin.

But it's never a bad day in Columbus when Ohio State beats Michigan. And the Buckeyes have now done it three times in four tries with Tressel.



Ohio State's Santonio Holmes, top, dives over Michigan's Marlin Jackson into the end zone in the third quarter Saturday in Columbus, Ohio. Ohio State beat Michigan 37-21.

Smith led the way with his best game, yet. He had never run for more than 62 yards nor passed for more 192 since relieving the injured Justin Zwick in midseason. On a day where little went wrong for Ohio State (7-4, 4-4), he carried 18 times and came up just one yard short of tying a school record for yards rushing by a quarterback. He also completed 13 of 23 passes for 241 yards and two touchdowns without an interception or a sack.

Ginn, the freshman wide-out with the

sprinter's stride, gathered a punt at his own 18 midway through the third quarter with the Buckeyes up 20-14. He broke a tackle and went into overdrive for an 82-yard touchdown. His fourth return for a score this year matched the NCAA mark.

After the Wolverines scored on two impressive second-quarter drives, Ohio State's defense dominated for the most of the rest of the day.

Not that there weren't some anxious moments. After the Buckeyes took a 34-14

lead on Smith's second touchdown pass, a 12-yard bullet to Santonio Holmes late in the third quarter, Michigan drove to the Ohio State 8. But Chad Henne's pass was picked off at the 1 by Ashton Youberty.

The Wolverines came right back to cut into the lead on Braylon Edwards' 38-yard over-the-shoulder grab from Henne. Twice in the final moments, however, they were unable to convert fourth-down plays to keep drives alive and Henne was picked off again by Nate Salley.

Michigan, averaging 165 yards rushing a game, was limited to 71.

Henne's first-year running mate in the backfield, Big Ten rushing leader Mike Hart, finished with just 61 yards on 18 carries.

Henne completed 27 of 54 passes for 328 yards and two touchdowns with two interceptions. Edwards had 11 catches for 172 yards.

Ohio State led 20-14 at the half and could easily have led by more. The Buckeyes had a first and goal at the Michigan 2 midway through the second quarter but three runs netted a yard and a pass to Holmes was broken up by Marlin Jackson on fourth down.

The Wolverines were unable to get out of the hole on the ensuing possession and had to punt, the Buckeyes taking over at the Michigan 32 after Ginn's 13-yard punt return in tight quarters.

Smith avoided a collapsing pocket for a 15-yard gain to the 1, but three running plays lost three yards and on fourth down Tressel elected to take the sure three points on a 21-yard field goal by Mike Nugent, his first of three field goals.

Harvick closes Busch season with hard-earned victory

The Associated Press

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Kevin Harvick closed out a disappointing season in the Busch series by

winning the final event of the year Saturday at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

Harvick, the 2001 Busch series champion, moved to the front of

the Ford 300 and had to hold off Jamie McMurray on several late restarts to lock up his second victory of the year.

Martin Truex Jr. clinched the Busch series title last week at Darlington Raceway, but didn't get to enjoy the official championship ceremony until after he finished eighth at Homestead.

He was presented with the trophy and celebrated with car owners Teresa Earnhardt and Dale Earnhardt Jr.

A series of cautions bunched the field up a handful of times, giving McMurray a chance to get a jump on Harvick and pass him for the lead.

But he never could, and Harvick got a great start on the final restart with two laps to go and pulled away for the win.

"Our stuff has been off this year. We've had good cars, but we've been off," said Harvick, who won at Las Vegas in March. "It's good to be back in Victory Lane."

Rookie Kyle Busch was third, ending his season tied with Greg Biffle for the series record of five wins in a season.

BALCO founder accuses feds of fabricating statements

SAN FRANCISCO — The founder of the company at the center of an investigation into illegal steroids alleges the government fabricated statements suggesting he provided the substance

Sports briefs

Nets guard Kidd hopes to practice next month

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jason Kidd's recovery from surgery on his left knee is on schedule and the All-Star point guard hopes to practice next month with the struggling New Jersey Nets.

Kidd was re-evaluated Friday by the team's medical staff and Dr. David Altcheck, who performed surgery on the knee on July 1.

Kidd will continue his rehabilitation and light contact work, with the goal of returning to practice in December, the team said. There is no timetable for his return to the active roster.

Chivas makes Torres first choice in MLS expansion draft

NEW YORK — CD Chivas USA made Los Angeles Galaxy forward Arturo Torres the first player chosen Friday in the Major League Soccer Expansion draft.

Torres was one of four Hispanic players chosen by Mexican-owned Chivas with its opening five picks. Torres was one of three native Californians chosen by the club that will play at the Home Depot Center in Carson, California — the two-year-old home of the Galaxy.

Real Salt Lake, the other expansion club that will begin play next year, took Jamaican midfielder Andy Williams from the Chicago Fire with the first of its 10 choices.

Pacers' Bender out six weeks with knee injury

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Indiana Pacers forward Jonathan Bender is expected to be out six weeks with an injured left knee.

"It's a hit for us, for sure," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said Friday night before facing the Detroit Pistons. "But right now, it's more important for the long term for our franchise that Jonathan is healthy."

The 7-foot, 235-pound forward has averaged 5.7 points and 2.2 rebounds during his first five seasons.

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Berlin's 4 TDs help Miami crush Wake

Canes stay in contention for BCS

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Brock Berlin threw for a career-best 361 yards and four touchdowns in just over a half, and No. 12 Miami stayed in contention for an Atlantic Coast Conference title Saturday by beating Wake Forest 34-17.

Berlin threw the scoring passes to four different receivers, completed 13 of 19 passes and continued his push for ACC player of the year honors. In his last seven games, Berlin has completed 55.9 percent of his passes for 1,894 yards with 19 touchdowns and only two interceptions — none in his last 153 attempts.

Berlin — who threw for 201 yards in the first quarter alone, eclipsing the total yards he managed in 11 of his first 21 Miami starts — left with 8:50 remaining in the third quarter, after hitting Ryan Moore with a 10-yard touchdown pass that put Miami ahead 42-7.

Frank Gore rushed for 83 yards and a touchdown, and Rashawn Jones recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for another Hurricanes score. Miami (8-2, 5-2) out-gained Wake Forest 579-193.

Chris Barclay had a nifty 40-yard touchdown run in the first half for Wake Forest (4-6, 1-6), which hadn't lost a game by more than seven points all season.

Barclay — who entered the game as the ACC's leading rusher — finished with 57 yards on 18 carries for Wake Forest, which carried a record of 1-11 for the fourth time in five years.

The win kept alive Miami's hopes of making a fifth straight appearance in the Bowl Championship Series. To claim the ACC crown, the Hurricanes need to beat Virginia Tech at home on Dec. 4, then get some help to win potential three-way tiebreakers with Florida State and either Virginia or the Hokies.

No. 2 Oklahoma, 35, Baylor 0: At Waco, Texas, Adrian Peterson ran for 240 yards, including three second-half touchdowns, and Oklahoma got the lopsided win it needed for the BCS standings.

After a slow start, the Sooners (11-0, 6-0 Big 12) scored on four straight possessions. Jason White threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Travis Wilson just before halftime to make it 14-0, and Peterson scored two TD runs on the first three drives of the second half.

Peterson, who had 32 carries, tied the NCAA record for most 100-yard games by a freshman with his 10th. It came a week after he was held to 58 yards by Nebraska to snap his freshman record of nine straight 100-yard games.

Even after last week's 30-3 win over Nebraska, Oklahoma was caught by Auburn in the latest AP poll. The Sooners remained second behind top-ranked Southern California in the BCS standings, but their margin over Auburn was cut in half.

Top 25

The Sooners have never lost in 14 games against Baylor (3-8, 1-7), the previous five wins coming by an average margin of 38 points.

No. 15 Tennessee 38, Vanderbilt 33: At Nashville, Tenn., Cedric Houston ran for three touchdowns, and Tennessee clinched the Southeastern Conference's Eastern Division title with its 22nd straight victory over Vanderbilt.

Tennessee (8-2, 6-1) will play No. 2 Auburn in the SEC championship game in Atlanta on Dec. 4. Jay Cutler was 22-for-33 for 314 yards and three touchdowns for Vanderbilt (2-9, 1-7), which finished with the same record as last year despite returning 21 starters and entering the season with bigger hopes.

Vandy, which came into the game being outscored 78-7 this season in the fourth quarter, pulled within 38-26 on Jeff Jennings' second scoring run early in the final period. And then the Commodores got lucky.

Brandon Smith tipped a pass from Cutler, and Marlon White made an off-balance catch for a 62-yard completion. White caught another pass on fourth-and-6, setting up Dustin Dunning's diving 3-yard TD reception with 4:30 left.

Vanderbilt had one final chance after forcing Tennessee to punt, but Cutler threw a pass that was picked off by Roshawn Fellows with about 2 minutes to go and Tennessee ran out the clock.

No. 18 Virginia 30, Georgia Tech 10: At Atlanta, Alvin Pearson scored two touchdowns and the Cavaliers came to a pass that key turnovers.



Wake Forest quarterback Ben Mauk, left, is sacked by Miami's Alton Wright during the fourth quarter of Miami's 52-7 win on Saturday.

Virginia kept alive its hopes of at least sharing the Atlantic Coast Conference title, though the Cavaliers (8-2, 5-2) are still a long shot to claim the league's spot in the Bowl Championship Series.

Pearman scored Virginia's first touchdown on a 6-yard run late in the first quarter, and he finished off the Yellow Jackets (6-4, 4-4) with a 1-yard plunge in the opening minute of the fourth.

Pearman set up his second TD by going 45 yards with a short pass, getting knocked out of bounds just before the end zone.

Georgia Tech had hope to improve its bowl position before next week's regular-season finale against No. 11 Georgia. Now, the Yellow Jackets are likely to get sent out West to a lower-tier game for the fourth year in a row.

No. 19 Boston College 34, Temple 17: At Philadelphia, L.V. Whitworth ran for 151 yards and two touchdowns, and Boston Col-

lege took another step closer to its first BCS berth in Temple's final game before being booted from the Big East.

The 19th-ranked Eagles (8-2, 4-1) will earn the conference's automatic Bowl Championship Series slot and its first Big East championship if it can beat Syracuse.

The Owls (2-9, 1-5) are getting kicked out of the Big East for failing to meet minimum requirements for membership, most notably in attendance, facilities and fielding a competitive team.

The one piece of bad news for BC was quarterback Paul Peterson getting knocked out of the game late in the first half. He did not return because of an injured right hand.

Peterson was 12-for-15 for 115 yards and a touchdown.

Freshman Matt Ryan ably filled in, going 8-for-15 and throwing a 32-yard touchdown pass to Larry Lester in the third quarter.

Navy routs Rutgers

The Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Aaron Polanco ran for two touchdowns and threw for another, and Navy used a 40-point first half to cruise past Rutgers 54-21 Saturday.

Kyle Eckel rushed for 143 yards and two touchdowns, and Eric Roberts also scored twice for the Midshipmen (8-2). Navy amassed 613 yards — including 357 before halftime — in effectively bouncing back from a 42-10 defeat at Tulane.

Service academy roundup

Representatives from five bowl games were in attendance. Navy, which could receive an invitation from the Emerald Bowl as soon as Sunday, has also generated interest from the Motor City Bowl, the Liberty Bowl, the Houston Bowl and the Champs Sports Bowl.

It was the eighth consecutive home victory for the Midshipmen, who finish the regular season against Army on Dec. 4 in Philadelphia.

Rutgers (4-6) was eliminated from bowl contention with its fourth straight loss. Three turnovers by the Scarlet Knights enabled Navy to score three touchdowns and take a 40-7 halftime lead.

It was 54-7 before the Midshipmen reserves yielded two fourth-quarter touchdowns.

Ryan Hargis was 7-for-40 for 264 yards for Rutgers, and tight end Clark Harris had nine catches for 116 yards and a touchdown.

UAB 20, Army 14: At West Point, N.Y., Darrell Hackney completed 20 of 32 passes for 199 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Blazers over the Black Knights (2-8, 2-6 Conference USA).

Dan Burks ran for 110 yards and Roddy White, the nation's leading receiver, had five catches for 62 yards and a touchdown to help UAB (7-3, 5-2) beat Army for the fifth straight time.

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Gamecocks whipped in Holtz's last home game

The Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C. — Lou Holtz's final regular-season game for South Carolina was one he'll probably want to forget.

Reggie Merriweather had three touchdowns and a career-high 125 yards to lead Clemson to a 29-7 victory Saturday over the Gamecocks in a game marred by a fourth-quarter brawl between the teams.

Holtz told his team Thursday he'd retire after this season, reportedly clearing the way for Steve Spurrier to take over in 2005. The official announcement about Holtz is expected Monday.

"You'd have to not know that President Bush was re-elected not to know what my plans are," Holtz said.

Holtz had pointed to this game since last November when the Gamecocks were run out of Williams-Brice Stadium, 63-17. He said it was the most embarrassed he'd ever been and vowed it would not happen again.

Instead, he lost to the Gamecocks' in-state rival for the fifth time in six seasons.

"That's one of the biggest disappointments," Holtz said. "At the same time, there's no excuse for it."

While the final margin wasn't as bad as a year ago, the Gamecocks (6-5) were dominated again.

Holtz, in a black South Carolina windshirt and garnet ball cap, paced the Death Valley sidelines. Nothing he thought of worked against the Tigers.

Merriweather had a 12-yard TD as Clemson (6-5) took the second-half kickoff and drove 80 yards to make it 20-7.

Emotions on both sides spun out of control late in the fourth quarter with a sideline-clearing fight that delayed the game for about 10 minutes before coaches, police and security officers got things under control.

"I got a little scraped up, a couple of scratches," said Clemson cornerback Justin Miller, who tussled with South Carolina receiver Matthew Thomas. "Once I saw a couple of big guys come by me, I got out of there."

Holtz and Clemson coach Tommy Bowden both said they would look at tapes of the fight and take possible action. Clemson athletic director Terry Don Phillips said the ACC would also review the fight to see if penalties had to be handed out.

Penn St. 37, Michigan St.: At State College, Pa., Joe Paterno ended his 39th season at Penn State as a winner as the Nittany Lions scored four third-quarter touchdowns against Michigan State.

Students who booed the Nittany Lions during three previous home losses chastened "Joe Paterno" and "Joe Pa, Joe Pa" as the game wound down.

Tamba Hall and Paul Posluszny had interceptions and Donnie Johnson blocked a punt for Penn State (4-7, 2-6 Big Ten), which wrapped up its fourth losing season in five years. The loss eliminated Michigan State (5-6, 4-4) from bowl consideration.

Purdue 63, Indiana 24: At West Lafayette, Ind., Kyle Orton threw for 522 yards and six touchdowns, setting a Purdue record with 530 total yards.

Taylor Stubblefield also had a record-setting day by catching 14 passes for 138 yards and three TDs, giving him 309 career receptions. Louisville's Arnold Jackson



Purdue's Taylor Stubblefield broke the NCAA record for career receptions, catching his 301st pass during the first quarter Saturday against Indiana.

caught 300 passes from 1997-00.

The Boilermakers (7-4, 4-4) finished with a Big Ten record 763 yards in total offense and scored 60 points for the first time since 1913.

Indiana (6-5, 1-7) ended its season with three straight losses.

North Carolina 40, Duke 17: In Durham, N.C., Chad Scott rushed for 144 yards and scored two touchdowns to help North Carolina become bowl eligible for the first time in three years.

Ronnie McGill also ran for a TD and Darin Durant threw for another score for the Tar Heels (6-5, 5-3 Atlantic Coast Confer-

ence), who finished the regular season with their first two-game winning streak since 2001.

UConn 29, Buffalo 0: In East Hartford, Conn., Cornell Brockington rushed for 136 yards and two touchdowns, assuring the Huskies of a winning record and making them eligible for a bowl bid.

Senior Dan Orlovsky, in his final game at home, threw for 283 yards and a touchdown. His final play before being pulled from the game was a 33-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Brandon McLean.

Northwestern 28, Illinois 21 (OT): In Evanston, Ill., Brett Basanez connected with Jonathan Fields on a 7-yard scoring pass in overtime, sending Illinois coach Ron Turner away with a loss in what might have been his last game.

It was the fourth overtime game this year for the Wildcats (6-5, 5-3 Big Ten), an NCAA Division I record.

Iowa State 37, Kansas State 23: At Manhattan, Kan., Bret Meyer threw for one touchdown and ran for another, and Iowa State (6-4, 4-3) scored three TDs in the final 3½ minutes to stay in control of the Big 12 North.

Stevie Hicks ran for a career-high 156 yards and scored the go-ahead touchdown for Iowa State, which won its fourth straight and broke a 10-year losing streak against the Wildcats (4-7, 2-6 Big 12).

Arkansas 24, Mississippi State 21: At Starkville, Miss., Matt Jones passed for 215 yards and Pierre Brown returned a blocked field goal 76 yards for a touchdown for the Razorbacks (5-5, 3-4 Southeastern Conference), who beat the Bulldogs for the sixth straight time and remain in the hunt for one of the league's eight bowl spots.

Woods extends lead to 10 in Japan tournament

The Associated Press

MIYAZAKI, Japan — Tiger Woods shot a 5-under 65 Saturday to open up a comfortable 10-stroke lead in the Dunlop Phoenix.

Woods, who went into the third round up by three, birdied two of the first three holes and then added three more at the Phoenix

Golf roundup

He has a 54-hole total of 13-under 197.

"The goal today was to increase the lead if I could," Woods said. "Christian [Pena] got off to a

great start and birdied two of the first three holes. I thought it was important to answer him and I did."

Naomichi Ozaki, Ryoiken Kawagishi and Sweden's Daniel Chopra are tied in second place at 3-under 207. The \$1.89 million tournament is the richest on the Japan tour.

Woods, winner of eight major titles, lost his No. 1 ranking to Vijay Singh two months ago. His last victory this year was at the Match Play Championship. The last time he won a stroke-play tournament was in October 2003.

Sorenstam returns from rough start to third round
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Annika Sorenstam lost her

three-shot lead in five holes, then had to make three birdies over the final six holes to salvage an even-par 72 and take a one-shot lead into the final round of the season-ending ADT Championship.

"I don't know if I'd call it a roller-coaster day, but it was tough," Sorenstam said.

At least she still had the lead, finishing at 10-under 206 to give her a slight cushion over Jennifer Rosales (69) and Cristie Kerr (70). No one else was closer than five shots.

Spanish surge into lead at home in team World Cup
SEVILLE, Spain — Spain took the lead in Saturday's third round of the team World Cup with Sergio Garcia and Miguel Angel

Jimenez combining for an 11-under 61 to pull one shot ahead of England.

Playing before an enthusiastic home crowd on the palm-lined Real Club de Golf de Sevilla, Garcia put Spain into the lead on the 16th with a 5-foot eagle putt — his second eagle of the round. Spain finished 24-under par for three rounds.

The English pair of Luke Donald and Paul Casey, who began the round with a five-stroke lead over second-place Austria, faded to a 68 in the day's fourth (better ball) for form.

Four teams were just three shots off the lead — Ireland (64), the United States (64), Sweden (64) and South Africa (64).

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Brawl: Police investigating melee; More action expected from NBA

BRAWL, FROM BACK PAGE

Pacers players did not immediately comment Saturday, but team CEO Donnie Walsh issued a statement saying, "responsibility for Friday night's action can be shared by many."

Pistons CEO Tom Wilson said the team plans to use "play-off level security" starting with Sunday's game, doubling the number of armed police and increasing other arena security personnel by about 25 percent.

The brawl was particularly violent, with Artest and Jackson throwing into the stands near center court and bowling punches at fans after debris was tossed at the players.

Later, fans who came onto the court were punched in the face by Artest and O'Neal.

"We'll put it all together, take it to the Oakland County prosecutor's office and have them review it and they'll decide if there are any charges," Auburn Hills Deputy Chief Jim Mynsberge said.

To the whole fracas could take weeks to decide, Oakland County Prosecutor David Gercyca said.

The next game between Indiana and Detroit is Dec. 25 at Indianapolis. The rivals, who play in the Eastern Conference finals last season, won't play each other in Auburn Hills, Mich., again until March 25.

The melee was the talk of the league Saturday. Violence at NBA arenas is rare, even among the few franchises — such as Detroit — that draw a more rough-and-tumble crowd to court-side seats than at other cities.

"I was in total shock. Unbelievable," said Mike Montgomery, who oversees security at Staples Center in Los Angeles. "You never expect something like that to happen. You prepare and train for an incident like that, but you never expect it."

Wallace began the fracas by delivering a hard, two-handed shove to Artest after Wallace was fouled on a drive to the bas-



Artest

ket with 45.9 seconds remaining. After the fight ended, the referees called off the remainder of the game. Pacers players were pelted with drinks, popcorn and

other debris as they rushed to the locker room.

"This demonstrates why our players must not enter the stands, whatever the provocation or poisonous behavior of people attending the games," Stern said in his statement. "Our investigation is ongoing, and I expect it to be completed by tomorrow evening."



Wallace

The most recent example of an NBA player going into the stands and punching a fan came in February 1995, when Vernon Maxwell of the Houston Rockets pummeled a spectator in Portland. The league suspended him for 10 games and fined him \$20,000.

Among the harshest non-drug-related penalties in NBA history was a one-year suspension of Latrell Sprewell — later reduced to 68 games — for choking Golden State Warriors coach P.J. Carlesimo at practice. Kermit Washington of the Los Angeles Lakers drew a 60-day (26-game) suspension in 1977 for a punch that broke the jaw of the Houston Rockets' Rudy Tomjanovich during a game, while Dennis Rodman was suspended 10 games for kicking a court-side cameraman in the groin and six games for head-butting a referee.



Jackson

Artest was benched for two games after this month for asking Pacers coach Rick Carlisle for time off because of a busy schedule that included promoting a rap

album. Artest was suspended twice by the NBA last season, once for leaving the bench during a fracas at a Pacers-Celtics playoff game, the other for elbowing

Portland's Derek Anderson. During the 2002-03 season, Artest was suspended five times by the NBA and once by the Pacers for a total of 12 games.

The initial skirmish wasn't all that bad, with Artest retreating to the scorer's table and lying atop it after Wallace sent him reeling backward.

But when a fan tossed a cup at Artest, he stormed into the stands, throwing punches as he climbed over seats.

"He was on top of me, pummeling me," fan Mike Ryan of Cleveland said. "He asked me, 'Did you do it?' I said, 'No, man. No!'"

Jackson joined Artest and threw punches at fans who punched back. At one point, a chair was tossed into the fray.

Security personnel and ushers tried to break it up. Former Pistons player Rick Mahorn, who was seated court-side as a Detroit radio analyst, also stepped in.

Two of the nine people treated for injuries were taken to a hospital, police said. Detectives planned to collect and analyze video footage, interview witnesses and examine medical records.

Fight: Incident the latest in long line of sports violence

FIGHT, FROM BACK PAGE

Then another seemingly confrontational fan stroled onto the court. That set off O'Neal, flinging punches.

By the time it was over, children were crying, police resorted to pepper spray, and a half-dozen people were treated for injuries — none serious.

Pistons coach Larry Brown picked up a microphone to try to calm the crowd but put it down in disgust.

"I've just never seen anything like that," Brown said. "I didn't know what to do myself."

Blame the security, or not evened out. Blame drinking, or too much of it.

Blame the tuggish image of players the NBA has cultivated and marketed.

Blame the zooming costs of tickets and the attitude by some fans that they can get their money's worth by heaping endless abuse — verbal and physical — on players.

Blame our violent times — the streaming images of war and terrorism on TV, the edginess of daily life — and the continuing decline of civility.

NBA Commissioner David Stern called the brawl, one of the worst in league history, "shocking, repulsive and inexcusable" on Saturday, when he suspended Wallace, Artest, Jackson and O'Neal indefinitely.

That's a smart first step. A month's suspension wouldn't suffice, even if it means the injured, depleted Pacers won't have enough healthy players left to finish a game.

The next step is a police investigation, possible charges against players, most probably lawsuits. What will it take to prevent a death, a stampede, a riot the next time tempers get out of control?

In basketball's early days, courts were surrounded by chicken wire — hence, the players' nickname of "cagers." Must the game construct new barriers between players and fans? Must baseball build bullpens away from the stands to avoid a repeat of the Texas Rangers' Frank Fran-

cisco's chair-throwing incident that broke the nose of an Oakland Athletics fan? Must police in riot gear be stationed at every game?

It's bad enough when players attack each other, such as in March when Vancouver Canucks star Todd Bertuzzi was charged with assault for a sucker-punch that broke Colorado Avalanche center Steve Moore's neck. Bertuzzi's trial is set for January.

We've come to expect violence in hockey, learned to grudgingly accept that parents of Little Leagueers set bad examples for the kids by verbally, sometimes physically, abusing umpires.

Even on Saturday, Clemson and South Carolina football players brawled late in the game, with skinny 67-year-old coach Lou Holtz diving into the pile as peacemaker in his regular season finale with the Gamecocks.

And last week in the NFL, Cleveland's William Green and Pittsburgh's Joey Porter were ejected and fined for spitting at each other and fighting — before the opening kickoff.

There's more at work here than just a few isolated incidents on the field, the courts and the ice. There's a disturbing increase in player violence and player-fan confrontations.

■ The bullpen brawl involving New York Yankees pitchers and a groundskeeper cheering for the Boston Red Sox at Fenway last year in the playoffs.

■ The father and son who burst onto the field at Chicago's Comiskey Park in 2002, slugged Kansas City Royals first-base coach Tom Gamboa to the ground, punched and kicked him.

■ And, most famously, the 1993 court-side stabbing in Hamburg, Germany, of top-ranked tennis player Monica Seles by a deranged fan of Steffi Graf.

We live in strange and dangerous times, sport no more separated from the violence of the world than any other endeavor. The brawl in Detroit was as bad as the NBA has ever seen but there's no sense that we won't see more in the future.

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Throwdown in Motown

4 suspended indefinitely after Pacers brawl with Detroit fans

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Indiana's Ron Artest, Jermaine O'Neal and Stephen Jackson, and Detroit's Ben Wallace were suspended indefinitely by the NBA on Saturday for taking part in one of the ugliest brawls in U.S. sports history, a fight with fans that Commissioner David Stern called "shocking, repulsive and inexcusable."

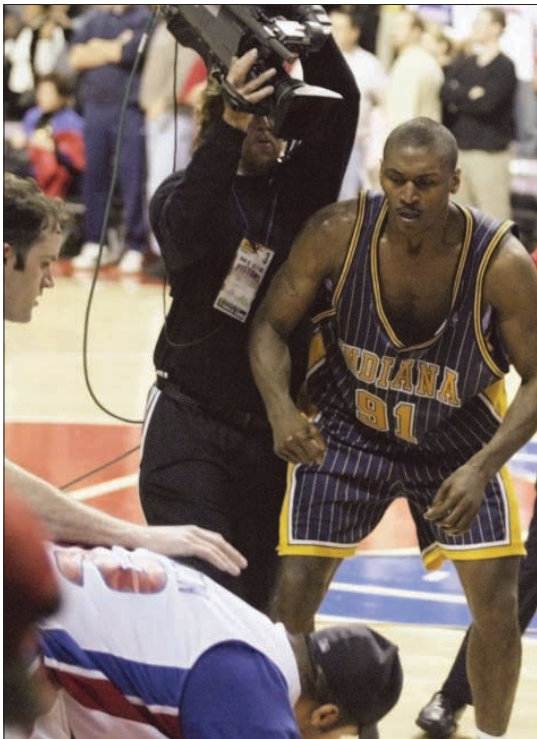
League officials and police were examining videotapes of Friday night's melee and interviewing witnesses. The NBA issued a statement saying it was reviewing rules and security procedures "so that fans can continue to attend our games unthreatened by events such as the ones that occurred last night."

Artest, O'Neal and Jackson — who all threw punches at spectators in the stands or on the court at the end of the nationally televised Pacers-Pistons game — were to begin serving their suspensions Saturday night, when Indiana hosted Orlando.

Wallace's suspension will start at home Sunday night against Charlotte, the next game for the reigning NBA champion Pistons.

The exact length of the four players' bans could be announced as early as Sunday.

"I didn't start it. I just played the game," Wallace said Saturday before learning of his suspension. "The league is going to do whatever they feel needs to be done, and I don't have no problems with that."



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Indiana Pacers' Ron Artest is shown after knocking down a fan with a punch after the fan came on the court during an altercation in the last minute of their game with the Pistons in Auburn Hills, Mich., on Friday.

Fight was another ugly sign of our violent times

Blame the frightening melee in Detroit — perilously close to escalating into a full-blown riot — on the players, the fans, the NBA and the times.

It's the latest in a series of increasingly ugly incidents in sports, raising fears that the worst is yet to come.

Blame the Detroit Pistons' Ben Wallace for the first angry shove Friday night, the Indiana Pacers' Ron Artest for crossing the line by climbing into the stands, Stephen Jackson and Jermaine O'Neal for the reckless punches that followed.

Blame the fools in the crowd who threw beer, ice, a chair and punches of their own, and the ones who took to the court to confront the Pacers.

There's blame aplenty to account for the brawl in the final minute of Indiana's abbreviated 97-82 victory at The Palace in Auburn Hills, Mich. It started with Artest's hard foul from behind on Wallace and should have ended there. Instead, Wallace wheeled around and pushed Artest in the face to set off a tussle.

When that settled down, Artest, no stranger to roughhousing and controversy, retreated to neutral territory and sprawled on the scorer's table.

Then came a full cup from the stands that hit him. Artest jumped up in a rage to pummel the offender — though he mauled the wrong guy. Jackson went to help his teammate.



Steve Wilstein

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